# Ps vote for boycott Of Olympics by majority of 168

victory in the Commons it when its motion calling tish boycott of the Moscow Games was supported by THE s to 147, a majority of 168.

Severnment scored a morale- An Opposition motion which, in effect, urged that British athletes be allowed to make up their own minds about going to Moscow, was defeated by 305 votes to 188, a Government majority of 117.

# No lorale boost for Government

ry Correspondent

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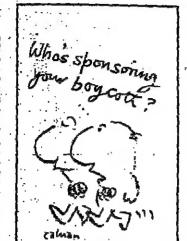
u morale-boosting the Government and int personal victory.

Michael Heseltine, of State for the Eu-gave assurances to that the Government interfere with the the Moscow games, there be any attempt ps to prevent people to Russia to see the

> not mean, however, ivernment would not put its case for a the games, said Mr

te began with an unspeech from Sir Inn he Lord Privy Seal. the House with the that the whole been badly stage and drastically ill-

gled to put the Govrast without any new bolster his flagging There was nothing



Nor, was there any further information from Sir lan about agreement, or even lack of it, with our partners over what the response should be to the Russian invasion of Afghanis-

The only new development was a minor back-pedalling over the announcement that no extra leave would be given to allow achietes in government service to take part in the Moscow games. Sir Ian told the House there would be no additional paid leave allowed and that whether any government em-ployees took uppaid leave would depend on the requirements of their job
The Soviet Union, said Sir Isn, saw the games as a propa-

ganda exercise from which they hoped to derive great advantage. The Government believed that non-participation offered. Western countries the single most effective way of bringing home to the Soviet regime and the Russian people our refusal

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gence from the official line came from Mr Shore, Opposi-tion spokesman on Foreign Affairs, who opened the debate with a speech indicating that he would have been happier

boycott.

For the world community to send their athletes to Moscow now would be interpreted by the Soviet people, or inter-preted for them, as interna-tional acceptance and approval

supporting the Government's

of the Soviet Union and its policies, Mr Shore said.

He found repugnant the image of British athletes at the opening and final ceremonies or whenever Brirish success was secured, parading with the flag and authem and paying collect-ive response to the leaders of the Soviet Union.

It certainly sounded much stronger stuff than anything produced by Sir lan and Mr Shore's words brought an in-stant horrified response from Mr Eric Heffer, Labour MP for Liverpool, Walton.

Was the party's spokesman talling the House that if all the Western countries agreed, then Britain ought to stay away from Moscow? That, Mr Heffer said. was contrary to a widely held view on the Labour benches and in the mass of the Labour movement.
Mr Shore accepted that there

were different views but pointed out that there was a free vote. He was giving his personal view. But he went on to condemn the Government for not having correctly followed up the Prime Minister's first statement on January 17. There was no con-sultation with the British Olympics Committee and nothing was done effectively to win support either abroad or at home. The House, he added, had heard nothing about alternative sites or about agreement with our principal allies.

In such circumstances he would not recommend a British boycott. What had started as a reasonable and widely shared objective, Mr Shore concluded,

Blind manhandled: A blind protest marcher is gripped by a Delhi police-man while another officer swings a bamboo club at him. The march, held near the Prime Minister's residence, and attended by about 500 blind people on Sunday was to demand that more

jobs should be made available to the blind. Police action at the demonstration resulted in about 100 of the demonstrators being injured and a Government statement issued in the Indian Parliament yesterday expressing doubts about the incident led to uproar.

ings within three weeks.

Angry Opposition MPs walked out of both Houses and Mrs Indira Gandhi, the Prime Minister, told the Lower House she was sorry about the brutality. She has appointed a judge to lead an inquiry and submit his find-

# Dollar soars in response to Carter package

a resounding welcome yester-day to President Carter's anti-inflation measures. The dollar soured against all major cur-rencies and pushed the gold price down SSI. Money poured into America as speculators chased the still higher interest rates expected to result from the new measures.

However, reaction was not so enthusiastic in America. Wall Street prices fell, and some business economists complained that the Carter package was too weak. The dollar lost some of its European gains when markets opened in New York.

The pound held up extremely well against other currencies. After fulling by nearly 5 cents

By Caroline Atkinson against the dollar at one point, it recovered to close in London Europe and the Far East gave at \$2.1850, down 2.95 cents from Friday. In trade weighted terms a strong rise yesterday against West German and other European currencies left sterling down overall by only 0.1 points, at 72.2 per cent of its end 1971 value. The glitter has now gone out

> of gold. Yesterday's fall of 551 an ounce took it to its lowest level since before Christmas. At \$479 at the London close, gold was only a little more than half the peak price it touched in late January.
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> It has fallen sharply in the past few days in reaction to the

rising dollar. Investors are less keen to leave their money in gold, earning no interest, when

The usually strong Deutsche The usually strong Deutsche mark and Swiss franc both dropped by more than 2 per cent against the dollar. The mark fell to 1.875 against the dollar in London, after a close on Friday of 1.8325. It is now at its layer to be supported by the control of the strong the same against the strong the same against the same to be supported by the same against the same ag at its lowest point since early
last summer. The Swiss franc.
at 1.7885 to the dollar, is at its
weakest since July 1978.
Currency dealers were taken
aback by the dollar's swift rise
and had been expecting firmer

support for the mark. However, the German central bank appeared to be resigned to letting the currency fall, at teast

The Japanese were more successful in resisting the dollar's rise. News of a pos-

and intervention by the Bank of Japan both helped. The yen closed at 249.4 to the dollar, after going briefly above the crucial 250 level at one stage. Higher interest rates through-out the world are likely as a

Progressive tightening of the United States money policy over the past month has pushed up the cost of money in Europe and Japan as governments have tried to stop their currencies from falling.

Eurodollar rates soared to pearly 20 per cent yesterday afternoon, and further prime rate rises are expected to be announced in New York this

### **Doctors** offered surgeries in stores

By Annabel Ferriman Health Services Correspondent A visit to the doctor's surgery may be combined in future with a visit to the sales. The Debenbams group is offering doctors space for surgeries at

55 of its stores. Not only would it be possible simultaneously to improve your wardrobe and ease your back-ache, but you may be able to have your corns fixed, your teeth examined and your eyes tested in the same store.

Debenhams is talking to den-ists, opticians chiropodists, accountants, lawyers, estate agents and pharmacists about renting space. In a successful experiment, opticians have rented offices at five stores and made more money per square foot than any other department. toot than any other department.
The group, which has about 70 stores throughout Britain, has written to the British Medical Association pointing out that its scheme could help to meet the difficulties of high repts in inner city areas. It would let space at an economic rent for the doctors.

A spokesman for the com-pany said: "We see it as the pany said: "We see it as the way the retail business is going. People are more and more choosy about where they go, so the more you offer, the more custom you get."

Dr John Havard, secretary of the BMA, said yesterday that the association would be considering the Debenhams offer

sidering the Debenhams offer carefully. In the past it had been against doctors baving surgeries on commercial premises, but in the light of the inner city difficulty it would have to think about it

"We are prepared to look at our ethical position again and will see whether we can come to some arrangement. Doctors should not practise from premises where people are conrinually coming and going, because it gives them an unfair advantage over other doctors. "But we are concerned primarily with patient care. It we are not getting enough doctors in inner city areas, we shall have to consider it."

week.

Wall Street down 23 points, page 17.

Was pointed our that parients would have to be on a doctor's list.

# inations consider other games

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as whose povernments boycott of the Olympics envisage up existing world-inetitions which are in the sporting

representatives of a those countries met. Mr Dougles Hurd, f State at the Foreign id that in addition to ready scheduled new competitions could be

are not considering upics taking place at time as the Moscow he added. "These one would be later, at much later."

on whose intiative the two-day meeting here is being held, the other countries participating are Sudan, Saudi Arabia, The Netherlands, Kenya, Dominicao Republic, Canada and the Philippines. Costa Rica and Forrugal are attending as observers.

Mr Hurd said they believed that as sports organizations in different countries realized to what extent the Moscow games would be marred by the absence of the Americans and other leading sporting nations they were "beginning to think in terms of other plans".

"Our aim is to help them in that consideration if that is the

he added. "These way their thoughts turn," he part in the Moscow games. In would be later, added. "As it becomes in Though only 12 countries were lition to the United absence of certain countries were in touch with many others iritisin and Australia, from Moscow will lower the who felt the same way.

quality of competition there we think that sport by sport—it may not be all sports—there will increasingly be interest in other kinds of competition.

"Anyway, we think we owe it to athletes and sporting organizations to give them the chance by suggesting and facili-tating. If they turn their backs on this whole approach then we have tried."

He pointed out that some competitions could possibly organized according to the rule books which did not need the consent of sporting federations. Any contests would be open to all athletes—even probably the Russians who had taken part in the Moscow games. Though only 12 countries were company pay offer some other form of third-party intervention in the dispute will By Paul Routledge Labour Editor

Steel unions reject 'final'

Labour Editor intervention in the Steel union negotiators last also be discussed. night unanimously rejected the British Steel Corporation's "final" pay offer of 14.4 per cent on pay and productivity, built left the executives of the Iron and Steel Trades Conference of the offer and refusions a free hand to determant to determine a free hand to determine the same because of the same and to be a free hand to determine the same and the federation a free band to deter-mine the next move in the national strike that tomorrow enters its twelfth week.

The idea of a union ballot on the offer proposed by Sir Charles Villiers, chairman of British Steel, found no favour among the 60 members of the steel union negotiating team, and the package (details, page 2) was accutinized with disgust", according to one negotia-

The consensus emerging fr to four hows of internal union talks was that the union should tell its members not to partici-pare in the ballor on the cor-poration's offer. British Steel is poised to launch the ballor preliminary to reopening the steel work gates for a return

But the final word has been left to a joint meeting of executives of the Confederation and the National Union of blastfurnacemen today when the prospect of mediation or

Sir Charles said on radio yesterday that the corporation would go ahead with a second ballot of its 135,000 striking workers if the upions rejected the offer and refused either to hold a ballot of their own or to go to arbitration.

Evidently embarrassed by union criticisms that 190 many ballot papers were available in the works to supplement those sent to the homes of the men in the last poll, Sir Charles said that "security papers" would be used this time to overcome any question of BSC employees voting twice.

Today's joint executive of the steelmen and blastfurnace-men will consider the options open before taking a joint re-commendation to a full meeting of all the unions involved in of all the unions involved in the dispute tomorrow night. Mr William Sirs, general secretary of the ISTC, said last night after his union's negoti-ating committee meeting: "Feelings are still running high against the arctitude of the steel corporation. They have proved themselves inflexible in the face

of our compromise offer put to last week".
Other steel news, page 2

Gallantry medal for

A Gurkha soldier who overpowered and arrested eight attackers single-handed goes to Buckingham Palace today to tereive the Queen's Gallantry Medal. Lance-Corporal Aimansing Limbu is the first member of the Brigade of Ghurkas to receive the award. He was on border patrol in Hongkong when desperate illegal immigrants from China attacked him. But the attackers reckoned without his fighting spirit Page 8

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general lack of interest although gilts picked up after the United States economic package. The FT index closed at 433.2 down 6.7

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Gurkha hero

### Promise of £100 flight to Hongkong

By Arthur Reed Air Correspondent

British Caledonian Airways was selected from three com-petitors vesterday to break the British Airways' monopoly on the Hongkong route, and at once said it would offer a standby single fare of £100 when it begins services there in August. The unsuccessful airlines were Laker Airways and Cathay Pacific, which although based in Hongkong is owned by a com-pany in the City of London.

Cathay was particularly aggreeved at the decision by the Civil Aviation Authority in London, because at a hearing in Hongkong recently it was, with British Caledonian, granted a licence on the route by the local aviation authority.
The Civil Aviation Authority

in its judgment in London considered that the route would not be economical for three airlines. It accepted British Caledonian's plan to satisfy both the business and tourist market using DC-10 airliners. Cathay's Boeing 747 jumbo jets were too large for a rapid build-up of service, while Laker's proposal for a cheap Skytrain type of operation would have lacked a market. Cathay Pacific said in London

that it is considering an appeal. Sir Freddie Laker, chairman of Laker Airways, said he would appeal to the Secretary of State for Trade, Mr John Nort, against the decision. He said: "Once again we have to call into question the Government's declared policy of competition and free enterprise",

Chemical crash

A policeman and two farmworkers were treated for the effects of fumes after a lorry carrying chemicals, including methanol, and a bus crashed at Houghton-le-Spring. Type and Wear yesterday, A man and a woman, two of eight injured in the crash, were poorly last

# Court orders British Rail to deliver 500 tons of steel blacked by union

By Nicholas Timmins British Rail was last night planning to deliver about 500 tons of steel to a West Midlands stockholder today after the High Court ruled that it must be handed over to its owners, Howard E. Perry and Co Ltd. The steel, worth 196,000, has

been blacked by members of the National Union of Railwaymen, at depots in Wolverhamp-ton and Brierly Hill, in support of the steel strike.

of the steel strike.

Mr Jack Lanwarne, West
Midlends district secretary of
the NUR, said yesterday his
members would comply with
the court order. "I have instructed our members to start delivering the steel to Perry's romorrow. What the Iron and Steel Trades Confederation do shout it is another matter."

The steel union promptly promised that picketing of the stockholding firm would be

stepped up. "We will do all in our power within the law to circumvent that steel moving", Mr Michael Leaby, district or-genizer with the ISTC said.

A spokesman for British Rail in the West Midlands admitted

that there were several other right of possession of it, for an consignments of steel, amount. ing to many hundreds of tons. tied up at railheads by the NUR's action. But no decision had yet been taken on whether these should also be delivered.

these should also be delivered.

If there was a request for delivery, certainly we would give
it consideration.

Mr Richard Rawlins, executive director of the National
Association of Steel Stockholders, said: "We will be examining the court's ruling very closely in the next few days". There was not a large amount of steel at railheads, but if the point in us appearuling could be taken as a stuff recognize the precedent for steel blacked at going to obey it".

ports it could have considerable significance.
In his ruling, the judge, Vice-Chancellor Sir Robert Megarry, said Perry's were being denied most of their rights to owner-ship of the steel, including the

indefinite period.

"All concerned may take a practical view of the matter and think that, as only some 500 tons of steel is involved, and there appears to be small pros-pect of it being replaced, there would be little point in mounting industrial action over what may be regarded as a one-off job", he said.

Sir Robert said the order should not take effect until

10.30 today to allow BR time to appeal. But British Rail said later that "There seems little point in us appealing if our stuff recognize the law and are

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r Correspondent

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### BL will impose pay deal on **85,000** workers

BL is to impose its pay and productivity offer on 85,000 car workers. After eight hours, talks with union leaders brokedown. The company remained adamant. that it could not improve the offer, first made five months ago, of 5 to 10 per cent pay increases according to grade, with bonuses up to £15 a week for sweeping changes in working practices. Union leaders hinted that if the deal was forced through there would be spontaneous shop-Page 2

Exports top £4,000m The value of British exports went over E4,000m for the first time and the deficit on trade in goods fell to E226m in February from E321m in January. The improvement was widespread among leading commodity groups, but despite considerable gains from North Sea oil if still looks as though there will be a deficit of about £2,000m during 1980. Page 17

Arts Council's £70m

The government grant to the Arts Council for the coming year will be £70m, an increase of £11.7m. The rise means that expenditure will be in line with this year's when allowance is made for inflation. The council said that reduction in services should be "containable" Page 4

Envoy's window exit

The Uruguayan Ambassador escaped-through a second-floor window from the Dominican Embassy in Bogota occupied by terrorists holding diplomatic rostages there since February 27. Senor Comestried to climb down a rope made of bed-sheets, but when the rope broke he had to jump into the front parden. Page 3 to jump into the front garden. Page 3.

### Blizzards and ice affect many roads

On the second day of British Summer Time, blizzards and up to Sin of snow affected many parts of the country and motorists faced hazardous conditions in wide areas of the North. Police in mid-Wales gave a warning of frozen snow on high ground and in Lancastire gritting machines were used to keep traffic moving on the M61.

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Schild talks 'critical

Negotiations between Mr Rolf Schild, the British businessman, and kidnappers holding his daughter. Annabel, in Sardinia have reached a critical stage, his solicitor said in London. The British Vice-Consul in Cagliari said that Mrs Dankne Schild, whose release eight weeks ago was announced by the Pone on Sunday, was uninjured but very distrassed Fage 6

£300,000 for heart team

Mr John James, a Berkshire businessman, has promised a £300.000 donation to Hare-fields Hospital, Uxbridge, so that heart transplant operations can continue. He said the money would help to "balance up" the £300,000 gift by Mr David Robinson to Papworth Hospital Page 3

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# BL's management planning to act unilaterally and impose pay offer after talks with unions fail

The British Leyland management will decide in the next day or two how to go over the heads of union negotietors and impose their pay and productivity offer on the company's \$5,000 car

workers. The company made clear last night that it intends to act unlaterally after talks with union leaders, which provided the last real chance of an agreed settlement, broke down after eight hours.

The company remained adament after the talks that there was no more money to improve its five-months-old offer of basic increeses of 5 or 10 per cent dependent on grades and the exportunity for bonus earnings of up to £15 a week in exchange for widespread changes in work-

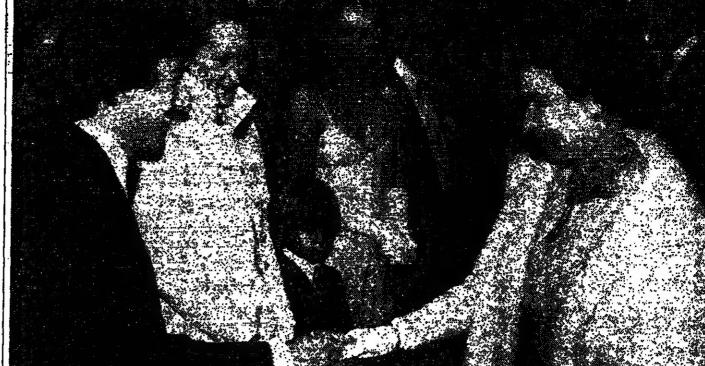
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The company is gambling that The company is gambling that the move, which may involve each worker affected by changes in practices being asked to egree individually to alterations in his contract of employment, will be acceptable to workers who last year overwhelmingly endorsed Sir Michael Edwardee's recovery plan. wardes's recovery plan. Sir Michael Edwardes said at a Union leaders, while stopping Parliamentary Press Gallery

inell short of calling for offi-cial industrial action, hinted that there could be spontaneous disruption on the shop floor. Mr Grenville Hawley, the Transport and General Workers' Union national automotive secretary, said last night: "Any imposition of the deal would cause a reaction from the membership ".

which was rejected by about six to four in a ballot of employees, the unions yesterday proposed a 10 per cent increase across the board and urged that the company's wide-ranging productivity document then be put to workers plant by plant for furfurther negotiations.

Rejecting that, Mr Raymond Horrocks, managing director of BL Cars, said the company's financial position, illustrated by the 1979 loss of £122m, left in no room for manoeuvre. Changes in working practices were essential to the success of Leyland's recovery and new model programme.

"Get your facts right", Sir Michael urged in his reply. When he had spoken of col-laboration with other companies, he had been referring to Europe and America not Japan. Collaboration plans: BL is dis-cussing collaborative projects with seven or eight other com-panies in America and Europe, A new Jaguar generation was highly developed.



The Queen shaking hands with Dustin Hoffman at last night's Royal Film Performance at the Odeon theatre, Leicester Square. Next to him are Meryl Streep and Justin Henry, aged eight, who have leading roles in the film, "Kramer vs Kramer".

# NUR wants on May 14

By Our Labour Staff

TUC leaders will be urged next week by the biggest rail union to turn the planned May 14 day of action against Government policies into a 24hour general strike.

The National Union of Enilwaymen is asking the TUC General Council to advise all affiliated unions to withdraw

The NUR executive met yesterday and afterwards Mr Sidney Weighell, the union's general secretary, promised that the union's 180,000 mem-bers would abide by the call if it was approved.

Referring to the TUC rally nine days ago, Mr Weighell said: "The feeling of my executive is that it is not sufficient to wave banners in Trafalgar Square. The Government appear not to be listening to us, and so the way to influence them is to stop Britain for 24 hours."

If the council did not support the NUR resolution, the union's executive would have to consider what action its members would then take, he said.

Mr Weighell was scathing about the performance of the Prime Minister, saying: "If she continues: to run, the country like she would a grocer's shop in Grantham, we are heading for disaster."

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### Union chiefs avoid defeat on post plan

By David Felton Labour Reporter

Bostal union leaders yesterday narrowly, avoided a rank-and-file defeat on a produc-tivity plan that could see the introduction of casual workers into the Post Office during the

summer.

Delegates to a special conference of the Union of Post Office Workers in Bournemouth voted by a majority of 615 against a call supported by many branches to reject a pay and conditions package which has the backing of the union's executive. The two-day conference is

being held in advance of pay negotiations due to start in earnest on Thursday. Mr Tom Jackson, general secretary of the union, said that tough nego-tiations were ahead. He added that the union's 20 per cent claim had to be set against the Post Office's budget next year

for pay increases.

The conference was called to discuss the productivity plan, which the Post Office hopes will make its business more efficient and enable it to avoid a repetition of last summer, when people were asked to stop

posting letters.

The plan envisages employment of casual workers, mainly students, for 12 weeks

# Sir Charles insists on right to ballot workers

Industrial Editor

Union attitudes adopted by steelworkers leaders nowards a membership ballot on the British Steel Corporation's pay offer were attacked yesterday by Sir Charles Villiers, the chairman.

Sir Michael said that BL had

"Some discussions came to

been having the discussions for

nought because they wanted to

export unemployment from France and elsewhere",

At the end of the lunch he told a former Labour minister

three times that what the latter

Then Mr Leslie Huckfield,

abour MP for Nuneaton and a super Under-Secretary for

Industry, put a question, pre-facing it with a number of premises: that the Honda deal

had been 90 per cent Japanese ("Rubbish", Sir Michael said);

"Rubbish" from Sir Michael sauf;
that there was not yet a replacement Jaguar or Rover (another
"Rubbish"); and that the new
"power-train" would be Japanese. That drew another
"Rubbish" from Sir Michael.

had said was rubbish.

He made clear that the BSC

would go ahead with its hallot of the workers if the unions decided against holding one, as the corporation would prefer. Referring to comments made by Mr. William Sirs, general secretary of the Iron and Steel Trades Confederation, the BSC chairman said ballots had been held for more than 100 years. held for more than 100 years. "They are going back to the Duke of Wellington, who op-posed the Reform Bill", he

In an interview with The Times Sir Charles said; "We

are not committed to holding on earth is the point? Where a second ballot, and will do so will we be in three weeks only if it is in the interests of time? The strikers will be the workers and the business. wery much poorer and the damage to the BSC and their

" But the workforce said quite clearly in the first ballot that they wanted to be heard. If the unions will not ballot themselves or go to arbitration, then we will have to ballot."

But should the ballot produce

a divided result, and the corporation open the gates of its plants to those workers who wished to return, although there might be trouble, he common sense would prevail if there was a strong vote in favour of the corpora-tion's 14.4 per cent pay offer. Asked about Mr. Sire's sug-

gestion that the strike could continue for a further three weeks, Sir Charles said: "What

to do this, but it will involve winding down certain of our activities." wery much poerer and the damage to the BSC and their future chances of jobs will have been damaged still further.

I can see absolutely no

point in continuing with this strike. They should senie, arbitrate or go to a ballot on our offer, which has been on the table for the past month."

Further 'extension' of the strike would make very much harder the componition's task harder the corporation's task of regaining the business it had already lost. The strike has been costing the corporation between £10m and £11m a week

on top of weekly losses of £7m before the strike began. Sir Charles admitted: "We thall be very, very pushed to manage within our £450m cash limit for next year. We shall try

He strongly denied that he or the BSC board were under any pressure from the Government settle the strike, indicated that such were the pressures on the corporation's finances that detailed talks finances that detailed talks with ministers might be needed once the strike was resolved and the damage assesse

"I do nor think-that we shall ge to the Government until the strike is over. I am not prepared to go whining and belly acheing. He could decide only after making a proper judgment of the damage and how far it could be repaired

The BSC chairman dismissed suggestions that the cornoration planned to sell some of its main activities to the private sector."

Concessions have brought BSC and the unions closer together

Productivity the key in steel peace formul

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who support her union movement Miners led b rerf, a Hickie worker, picket area headquar yesterday being the annual meri He handed is challenging Mah

### Tube staff threaten wider action because of assaults

By Our Labour Staff

Railway union leaders will meet London Transport manage-ment today amid the threat of widening industrial action by Underground staff in protest against a series of assaults which culminated in last Fri-day's incident at Neasden involving gangs

Last night staff on the Jubilee the main ine agreed not to operate serand Queensbury after 10 pm from next Friday,

Mr John Hanson, secretary of the National Union of Railway-men's assaults committee, said last night that he expected that a meeting his week might de-cide to take even more drastic action on Saturday.

strike called

at nine airports

traffic controllers vote in sup-

of affected members called yes-terday by the udions at the nine airports where Nalgo said meet-ings had indicated support for

The airports at which mem-

bers will be balloted are Luton,

Coventry, Birmingham, Liver-pool, Gloucester, Bristol, East Midlands, Swansea and Leeds/

Nalgo is bound by its rules

The local authority employers

said yesterday that after a com-parability study carried out for

Nalgo groups, an 8 per cent award in addition to last year's

9.4 per cent award would yield total increases of 16 to 22.5

per cent over six months.

to hold a ballot before official

Bradford.

Mr Hanson complained that at weekends after 10 pm only four officers of the British Transport police were available to cover violent incidents on the Underground. Under London Transport procedures the British Transport police must be rold before Metropolitan Police officers are called to an

Mr Hanson said that that was the main reason why, he claimed, it had taken 25 minutes before police scene of the Neasden fracas. The unofficial move by staff on Friday will almost certainly

mean that after 10 pm trains will not stop at West Hampstead, Kilburn, Willesden Green, Dollis Hill, Neasden, Wembley Park, Kingsbury or Queensbury.

### **Ballot on Easter** Meetings ban by police a 'curb on free speech' By Our Labour Staff : Easter beliday flights from nine municipal airports will be grounded for four days if air

By Peter Evans Home Affairs Correspondent: Allowing the police powers to ban meetings on public order grounds would represent a fundamental attack on free speech, the National Council for Civil Liberties told MPs port of a strike over pay called by their union, the National and Local Government Officers' Association (Nalgo). The decision rests on a ballot

yesterday.
It could not be justified by the experience of recent elecion meetings, the council said in evidence to the Commons Select Committee on Home Affairs.

But the council called for a reassessment of policing of elec-tion meetings. Disturbances at a number of electoral meetings, particularly in Southall, indicated the need to consider a definition of a public meeting under the Act.
Frustration had centred on

limitations put by the police and organizers on public access to meetings. Many such meetings organized by the National Front were not truly electoral meet-ings, and some local authorities refused to let halls to the NF

### By Our Labour Editor The joint union-management document considered by steel-

workers' negotiators yesterday contains some concessions that have brought the two sides in the national steel strike closer together. At issue now is the price the

British Steel Corporation is being asked to pay for the agreement, which the steel union coordinating committee values at 14 per cent and management at only 9 per cent, with 1 per cent more if the unions accept the principle of a cutoff point for "lead-in productivity bonus payments. . Mr William Sirs, general sec-

retary of the Iron and Steel Trades Confederation, said: The corporation has a document but not an agreement until it pays the money

A copy of the draft agreement, which presupposes a return to work no later than March 23, is in the hands of The Times. A preamble says: "Having regard to the cor-

ficulties, the corporation and the unions agree nationally the principle that in the year there should be significant pay increases but that these will be financed through improved performance and any other savings

The two sides agree that much remains to be done to including improved working practices between unions, and absenteeism unnecessary, overtime.

Clause 1.3 contains the heart of BSC's ambitions. It lays down that "the unions accept the continued need for joint discussions with the corporation at national and local level with TUC-affiliated unions

a. with the objective of achieving international manning stan-dards at all levels at ongoing plants to achieve the highest level of productivity pay and conditions in line with overseas competitors, particularly the

facturers, and working relationships can be established between the corporation and all the nationally recognized TUC-affiliated

Union call to

bring in

By a Staff Reporter

a mediator

A call for a mediator to be brought into the steel dispute was made yesterday by Mr. Thomas Crispin, national officer for steel of the Transport and General Workers Union.

The position now is mids clearer. There is a document that has been agreed between the unions collectively and BSC and the issue between us now is one of 5.3 per cent" he said. That seems to me to be an obvious issue now for a mediator of the difference the difference of the differ

ator to examine the difference with a view to making some

ecommendation to the parties. The TGWU'S 58 strong dele-

Unions and management go on to "accept the urgent neces-sity for the restructuring of work at all levels to bring about within a period of 12 months the achievement of these objectives so as to improve the cor-poration's costs and hence its effectiveness.".
At local level, management

aims to table by the end of April (and will by the end of June at the latest) plens for discussion and negotiation which will reduce inbuilt overmanning to the minimum level possible; reduce absenteeism to the minimum level possible; and reduce overtime to the minimum practicable level comparible with maintaining plant effici-

The two sides agree to a national and local working party on the possibility collective bargaining.

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affected by the stril British Steel want joint industrial count the industry which v the unions to

### Teacher fails Weather forecast and recordings

### to gain reinstatement From Our Correspondent Nottingham

Mrs Eileen Crosbie, a sus-pended nursery teacher, failed yesterday in her attempt to gain reinstatement. After eight weeks off work, she arrived at her old school and said she was prepared to take lessons again.

After a four-hour meeting with teachers' union representa-tives, however. Nottinghamshire education officials refused to give her back her job at the Robert Mellors primary school, Arnold, Nottinghamshire. The decision means that 10 Nottinghamshire schools will be affected by strike action from

Sun rises: 7.8 am Sun sets: 7.11 pm Moon rises: Moon sets: 8.16 am 9.36 pm

A depression will move slowly S across SW Britain, with cold E winds becoming established over most aceas.

Forecasts for 6 am to midnight:

London, East Anglia, Midlands,
S Wales: Outbroads of mid-S Wales: Outbreaks of rain or sleet, snow on high ground; wind

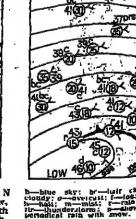
E. NW. Central N Engiano, ... Wates: Outbreaks of rain or snow, heavy snow on high ground with extensive drifting; wind E. fresh, increasing to gale; max temp 4°C Lake District, Isle of Man. SW Scotland, Central Highlands, N Ireland: Cloudy at times with a little steet but drifting snow on high ground, bright intervals in sheltered parts; wind E, strong to gale; max temp 5°C (41°F).

NE England, Borders, Edinburgh and Dundee, Aberdeen, Glasgow: Mostly cloudy, occasional sleet but drifting snow on high ground; wind E. mostly gale; mux temp 4°C (39°F).

Moray Firth, NE, NW Scotland, Argyll, Orkney, Sheband: Sunny intervals, scattered wintry showers: wind E, strong to gale; max temp 5°C (41°F).

Outlook for tomorrow and Thursday: Very windy and cold, bright and mainly dry in N; further rain, sleet or snow in S.

Sea passages: S North See, Strait of Dover: Wind SE, fresh or strong, backing E, strong to



rough.
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London: Temp: mas; 7 pm, 5°C (41°F); min; 7 am, 3°C (37°F). Humidit 91 per cent. Rain, 24 for 5 0.4 in. Sun, 24 for 6 7 Bar, mean sea level, 7 pm millibars, falling. millibars, falling. 1,000 millibars = 29.53 in



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# Labour 'will repeal work Act'

By Our Labour Editor

Parliamentary Labour Party leaders have told the TUC that they intend when they regain office to repeal the forthcoming Employment Act and then reenact "any valuable aspects" the legislation may have.

That is disclosed in confidential minutes of a meeting between the unions and PLP employment spokesmen, which will be considered tomorrow by the TUC employment policy and organization committee.

Union leaders told the politicians that there was a feeling in the TUC General Council that the Labour Party's res- Mr Varley went on to completed by the Easter ponse to the Employment Bill, request further guidance from recess, and the remaining now going through Parliament, could be usefully strength-

It was pointed out that there was greater unanimity within the TUC over its opposition to the Bill than there had been over opposition to the Indus-trial Relations Act 1971. Moreover, attitudes to the Bill are likely to harden", the

that the Bill had been successfully delayed. It would cer-mittee will have before it tainly reach the statute book, tomorrow further policy conso it was necessary to reach an siderations on how opposition agreed policy on repeal. siderations on how opposition to the Government's legislation TUC representatives suggested that the media presenta- should be intensified.

tion of Shadow Cabinet policy showed that Labour MPs According to the minutes, Mr Bill. It gives a "realistic" and Mikardo, MP, then intervened to say that the PLP intended to repeal the legislation and then reenact valuable aspects. That statement was welcomed by the unions. Mr Varley went on to

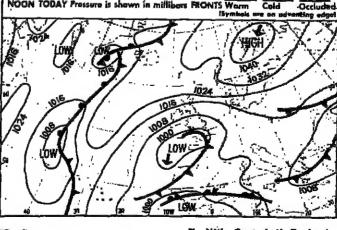
the TUC on suitable amendments to put down to the Government's amendments to the Bill concerning secondary industrial action. A further meeting of the TUC and Labour's employment spokesmen in Parliament is to be held as soon as Mr James Prior, Secretary of State for Employment, publishes the amendments, to identify priori-Mr Eric Varley, the shadow ties for the report stage of the Employment Secretary, replied Bill in the Commons.

to the Government's legislation to curb trade union power In the meantime the TUC is drawing some satisfaction

countrywide day of action on May 14. The TUC expects that the

Bill's committee stage will be stages are likely to take place after Parliament re: assembles.
"The PLP's intention is to force the Government to in-

troduce its clause or clauses on secondary industrial action while the Bill is on the floor of the House, not in standing committee. In this way they will be able to secure much more publicity for the position the Opposition than has so far been possible."



Today First quarter : March 23.

First quarter: March 23.
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am, 7.6m: 4.8 pm, 7.8m. Avonmouth, 9.27 am, 14.6m: 9.47 pm,
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12.54 pm, 7.0m. Hulf, 8.14 am,
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WEATHER REPORTS YESTERDAY MIDDAY: c. cloud; f. fair; r, rain; s, sun; sn, snow.

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# neat of fascism likely if Labour is in aims, Mr Benn tells andy meeting of left-wingers

ur Party was the inthe British working sent. Mr Wedgwood

the record socialism in a public be crisis and future in Britain, Mr Benn the Labour Party alternative was .not a socialist revoluwid more likely be

uacion. in Northern Ireland. pted other speakers, ganized by the Lab-

said that if the d not achieved then nor had the oups of the far left.

The Lebour left rely on a that reform has failed, is to miss power of Parliament. nent, Mr Wedgwood that reform has failed, is to miss power of Parliament."

I meeting of nearly the reality. What shop stewards Summing up for the far left, want is not a lecture on revolu- Mr Tarin Ali, of the Interference, last forwary socialism but practical national Mirxist Group, said: help on how to save their

> He criticized revolutionary groups for undervaluing the importance of Parliament. While ruling out any amalgamarion of the Labour Party with far left groups. Mr Benn called for coaperation on individual

issues.

was loudly heckled Earlier Mr Paul Foot, of the his speech by a Sacialist Workers Party accuesting about prison sed the Labour Party of having Socialist Workers' Party, accu-sed the Labour Party of having done the same thing that the ent heckling, which Tories were now doing and of pted other speakers, being equally subservient to the atmosphere, of the forces of outside capitalism, He said : "The Labour Party gamized by the Lair. He said: "The Labour Party lating committee. It is formed by people and for ed to be a serious people who believe power tween the Labour can be transferred by decent, orderly legislative processes. It cannot. Socialist society will not be won by decent processes. People will not surrender their

oups of the far left. Miss Hilory Wainwright, them for confusing speaking for the far left, empha-of reform, which he sized the importance of extra-

" No social democratic government in the world has ever brought about any real shift in class forces in favour of the working class. The Labour Party cannot

deliver the goods. A new type of party is needed, a party that organizes people at the point of production." Summing up for the Labour Party left, Mrs Audrey Wise,

former Labour MP for Coventry, South West, said there was no conflict between the struggle for socialism inside and outside Parliament.

There is no god that says that if you are in Parliament you cannot be on the Grunwick picket-line", she said.

"The really interesting areas for debate is now within the Labour Party. The left is winning the battle there. We are winning the 'struggle to democratize the party. That is they there is the party. That is they there is the party in the why there is such panic in the breasts of the right wing."



holding up a banner behind Mr Wedgwood Benn while Mr Peter Hain for calm at the left-wing debate at Central Hall, Westminster, last night.

# our left urges CIA aid inquiry

ing a preemptive ore Lord Underhill, er national agent of ir Party, releases his of intiltration of local ed the text of a letter sent to the general Mr Ronald Hayward, A assistance to right-

our groups,
tter, from Mr. Tony
who represents the
cialists on the NEC;
n Maynard, MP for

C member represent-National Union of ters, quotes The Times NEC meeting when it ded to abandon the

sting a resurgence of for the Liberal Party.

id Steel, the Liberal est night said that if Jenkins, the former Home Secretary and

or of the Exchequer, persuaded to join the it would add greatly rty's credibility. aftermeth of the good

performance at the i, East, by-election, Mr and that his purpose

to encourage the maxi-issent from both the ight wing of the Labour ad the liberal wing of

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many councillors, can-

and active party workers

Jenkins would boost

libility of Liberals'

to cover the influence of Labour movement, have also bankers, industrialists, the CIA been revealed in other published material. Indeed, the Labour movement.".

American Freedom of Informa-

The Times reported My Hayonal executive yester- American Ambassador would be willing to give me the name of his chief agent." The four left-wingers rake up

this point. They say that although CIA activity within the Labour movement is not widely known it has become increasingly well documented in recent years.

Brightside; Miss For example, Richard Richardson, MP for Fletcher was commissioned by and Mr Emlyo Wil- The Sunday Times to examine The Sunday Times to examine this issue, they stated. "His report, after being cleared for libel, was withheld from publi-cation by the editor. Mr Harold

Further details of the fundinquiry into infiltraing of sections of our party,
t, having started as a directly and through various to Militant Tendency front organizations of the CIA had been extended and other sworn enamies of the

Interviewed in the BBC tele-

vision programme, Panorama,

Mr Steel was asked whether Mr

Jenkins was not "a spent

force" in politics, having been

He disagreed. His party had

not been in office in recent

times and it would add consid-

erable strength to the Liberal

appeal to have a most of Mr

" I just think that the biggest

difficulty the Liberal Party has

had is the credibility gap, and I think we would overcome that

if people like Mr Jenkins were working with us", Mr Steel

He confirmed that he had dis-cussed possibilities with Mr

Jenkins's experience.

away from the United Kingdom

for more than three years. .

tion Act would allow further ir Party, releases his ward as saying: "I would not information to be acquired."

of infiltration of local know how to start investigatarties by Trotskyists, ing the CIA. That is why I include references to the wing members of the opted out. I do not think the Labour and Trade Union Pres. Documents with the letter Service, published by the Labour Committee for Trans atlautic Understanding, which Mr Roy Mason, the former Secretary of State for Defence, is chairman.

That service has received more than £32,000 from Nato in the past five years. The left-wingers imply that the ClA had a hand is arranging the right-wing Labour group.

They ask that the documents be placed on the agenda for the April meeting of the organiza-tion committee of the executive, Mr Hayward replied yesterday that he would do so.

Lord Underhill, with the
approval of the executive will alish his report on Trotskyist

# Whitehall brief: Croham Directive audit finds only 8% 'genuine' releases Modest results from open government policy

and Colin Bennett

The Labour Cabinet of 1974-79 was the first British Admin-istration to have an official open government policy. On July 6, 1977, a directive was circulated, with the authority of Mr James Callaghan, then Prime Minister, to 51 heads of department in Whitehall containing detailed instructions on how the new era of openness was to be introduced.

lts author was Sir Douglas Allen, then Head of the Home Civil Service, who became Lord Croham on his retirement. The document, which has since be-Directive, in its own words was: intended to mark a real change of policy, even if the initial step is modest. In the past it has normally been assumed that back-ground material relating to policy studies and reports would not be published unless the responsible minister or ministers decided otherwise. Henceforth the work-

ing assumption should be that such material will be published unless they decide it should not be. Just how open was the Callaghan government? Did departments take any notice of the Croham Directive? Whitehall has no idea. Monitoring its impact was judged too costly in money and manpower. Stimulated by a request from the Commons Select Committee on Expenditure, the Civil Service Department was, at lust, exam-Department was, at last, examining its effect when the Callaghan government fell last

One of the first acts of Mrs Margaret Thatcher on becoming Prime Minister was to order that the work he stopped as an economy measure.

£300,000 gift

to Harefield

A gift of £300.000 has been

promised to Barefield Hospital, Uxbridge, for its heart trans-plant programme by Mr John James, a millionaire from Ascot, Berkshire.

The gift comes less than a week after Mr David Robinson,

Mr James, announced that he would give £300,000 to Papworth Hospital, Cambridge, for its

The money will enable Hare-field to carry out 10 to 12 heart

transplants a year over the next

four years. It was intending to raise the money through private donations, since the Government so far has promised support of only £100,000 to Papworth Hos-

Mr James said yesterday that

the money was " to balance up " the donation given by Mr

Mr James, who made his fortune by building up a small radio and electrical business

bought in 1946, said the first

£100,000 would be paid in

Harefield hospital has carried

The latest transplant took

place last Thursday, when Mr James Burkhill, aged 49, a former steelworker from Mold, North Wales, was given a new

Cycling award: Mr Keith

Cyrling award: Mr Keith Castle, aged S3, the heart transplant patient, was yesterday presented with the first British Cycling Bureau gold award by Roy Castle, presenter of the BBC television series on keeping fit. The doctors at Panwarth Hospital had advised

Papworth Hospital had advised regular cycling, Mr Keith Castle said.

out four transplants so far, three of which were successful.

October

heart transplant work.

heart team

By Annabel Ferriman Health Services

THE TIMES SURVEY OF OPEN GOVERNMENT JULY, 1877-MAY, 1875 Final, sevised list of lices yielded under the Croham Directive of July 6, 1977.

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An audit of the Croham Directive's yield, however, was carried out by The Times and the results are published in full today in an Outer Circle Policy Unit report, emitted A Consumer's Guide to Open Government. It encompassed 35 departments, including all the main policy ministries and executive agencies which received the original directive.
The chief finding of the report is that, with noble and

From Michael Hornsby

The failure in Britain of an EEC fungicide test, with possibly dangerous consequences for

version of the French regulation

sprayed on citrus fruits to des-

of the previous, satisfactory method of testing used by the

Ministry of Agriculture.

Brussels. March 17

enforcing it.

isolated exceptions, the depended entirely on ministers directive did not mark a "real and, or, officials taking the miniative. Its successes were change of policy", and its results were indeed, "modest". confined to departments where the spirit of openness prevailed because of the personalities at the top at the time. That In quantitative terms 836 items were released between July, 1977, and the defeat of accounts for the strong showing the Callaghan government at the polis in May last year, most of the Foreign and Commonwealth Office under Dr David Owen, the Department of Energy under Mr Wedgwood Benn, and given the inherent sensitivity of its work, the

of which would have been published without the introduction of Labour's much vaunted open government policy. Of the total, 76 per cent could be described loosely as

background material relevant to current policy-making. The rest were routine press office handouts. Only 68 documents, 8 per cent of the total, carried out the directive's instructions to

the letter, being genuine background material written, as Croham had stipulated, in a form that could be separated from the policy advice given to ministers, and published.

The Department of Health and Social Security alone furnished S8 of them, with papers dealing with its supple-mentary benefit review and its study of perinatal and neonatal mortalin

The Civil Service Department provided eight background papers with the report of its Administration Traince Review Committee.

The Department of Trade scored one with its report on air traffic forecasting in 1977, and the Ministry of Defence offered a genuine ministerial briefing paper on the decision to base USAAF air tankers at Pairford, in Gloucestershire, in

years, that knowledge was com-riunicated to the European

Commission only six weeks ago.

The cause of the trouble has been identified as a mistrausla-tion in the English version of

should be conducted.

The French original requires

red bath "en évitant la cuisson de la purce ou la formation de

boiling occurred no distillation could be produced for testing.

The correct translation of this

Garrowby Hill the A166 had to be closed because of beavy snow

Croham Directive

### Three trains went over broken weld, inquiry told

At least three trains passed safely over a broken weld on a track before a 95-mph express train was derailed by it, a Department of Transport inquiry was told in London yesterday.

On one train the jolt was severe enough for passengers to comment on it. Less than an hour later the Euston to Manchester express crashed off the line, injuring 48 people. Nine coaches were derailed and

Ministry of Defence under its

current permanent secretary, Sir

The Consumer's Guide indi-

cates how and where all 836 items can be obtained. The

report also contains guidance on how to penetrate Whitehall

using not only the Croham Directive, which remains in

force under Mrs Thatcher, but also the Establishment Officers

Guide, the Civil Service bible of "do's and don's".

which has a section on open government, and the Public Records Acts, which allow for ministers to release material

short of the period laid down

The report is dedicated to the

by the 30-year rule.

for his own protection.

A Consumer's Guide to Open Gorermeent: Techniques jur Penetrating Whitchell, by Colin Bennett and Peter Hennessy (Outer Circle Policy Unit. 4 Cambridge Terrece, Regents Park. London NW1 4 L. (2.50).

NHS dental

up on April 1

New deatal charges are to

come into effect on April 1 in

England and Wales, it was an-

The cost of crowns, inlays, pinlays and gold fillings increases from £12 to £18 a tooth

restored, and the maximum charge for more than three

teeth restored from £36 to £54.

A new scale of charges for pay bed patients was also an-nounced and the average increase over 1979-80 charges

increase over 1975-80 charges is about 35 per cent. As foreshadowed last Novem-ber, prescription charges from April 1 will rise from 45p to

the same proportion of the total

cost of a prescription item as the 20p charge did when it was

Private rooms: The daily cost of a single room in a

reaching hospital will range from £95.60 to £101.30 (the Press Asso ration reports). The charge at a provincial teaching hespital will be from £78.40 to

There will also be higher fees for private out-parient

Judge says action is a

publicity exercise

introduced in 1971.

charges go

By Our Health Services

nounced last night.

Frank Cooper.

three overturned. Details of the derailmen were given at the inquiry, which is examining details of the crash on February 16 at Bushev, Herrfordsbire.

Lieutenzat-colonel Anthony Townsend-Rose, the inquiry-chairman confirmed that the cause of the derailment was broken weld in cae rail. Mr Kenneth Pitt, a Brinsh, Rail clerical officer, told the inquiry he was travelling on the 19.40 Euston to Birmingbautrain. Three hundred yards south of Eusbey station he

The report is dedicated to the "unknown iconoclast", the senior civil servant who suggested that The Times pur pressure on Whitehall by monitoring the Croban Directive and making persistent demands for material to be released under its provisions. His name must be kept secret for his own protection. "felt a loud bump. I heard a bang and a jolt." It appeared to come from the locometive pulling the coaches, and a loud rattling went through the train. He said his coach was virtually full and there were football and rugby supporters

One or two of them made comments about the joit, he said. When he got to Eirmingbam he heard an announcement

about the Bushey crash, and reported it. Colonel Townsend-Rose said Mr Pitt's train and at least two others passed safely over the weld before the accident.

Earlier the inquiry had heard that there were 150 passengers on the express.

The inquiry was told by Mr. Domenico Moio, a lending treckman, that he made a routine examination of the track only hours before the crash. He walked up and down the line but any pathing went? the line but sew nothing wron.
Last November he baj snotted a small brenk in a weld on
a different part of the line. Mr Jeffrev Milne, regional welding assistant at Euston, said be examined the demaged said he examined the demaged rail. He careed with Colonial Townsend-Pose that it was "a brdie made wold", but his added that he had seen others as hadie made.

Mr Robert Coon. I and midden testina's chief civil encineer, said there were 15 300 welds of the Bushey type in use in his remina.

A Prich Rail official said it was likely to be at least 13 marks before a revert of the

### 70p, which will contribute 533m to National Health Service finances in 1980-81. The new charge will represent almost Cruft's judge remanded

findings was published.

Michael Euromiey, aged 37, n judge at Cruft's Dog Show, was remanded on bail by magistrates at Driffield, Humberside, yesterdar for four weeks, after an allegation of bribery.

Air Bottomley, of Ling Parm,
Langtoft, near Driffield, in
alleged to have accepted a £35

courts before a renert of the

bribe from an exhibitor at the Arr Canine Open Show last year.

# Although the inefficacy of the EEC test had been knewn to the wenting the purce from charministry for more than two ring or foaming." Blizzards and ice affect many roads in North

Translation error led

public health, has been traced to tion in the English version of a mistranslation in the English the text describing how the test

The purpose of the test is to that a puree of the fruit to be check the levels of a funzicide, tested should be put in a flask Biphenyl-Z-YL oxide, which is and heated gently in an infra-

pected of being a carcinogen.

First adopted by the EEC as long ago as 1967, the test was introduced when Britain joined the Community in 1973 in place of the previous, satisfactory

to fungicide muddle

Blizzards and up to Sin of borough town centre, and at snow affected many parts of Britain yesterday, and hazardous conditions for motorists were reported in wide areas of the North. Police in mid-Wales gave a warning of frozen snow on high ground.

In Lancashire gritting machines were used to keep traffic moving on the M61. The Royal Automobile Chub

said the snow had moved as far south as Nottingham, Speed restrictions of 50 mph were imposed on the M1 and roads in the area were gritted In the North traffic was man reduced to a crawl through Scar-clear.

In Cumbria 8in of snow closed the Kirkstone Pass on the A592 and the A591 Kendal-Keswick roads. Most of Cumbria was covered in 4in of snow. At one stage traffic on both carriage ways of the M6 was reduced to single-lane movement. The A66 from Penrith to Keswick

and abandoned vehicles.

was blocked at Troutbeck after three lorries jack-knifed. Two men died when their car burst into flames after a collision with an articulated lorry on the M1 at Crick, Northamp

tonshire, in a snowfall. A third man in the car was dragged

### Move to reduce depletion of white fish

By Our Agriculture
Correspondent
Licences will be required
soon for all but the smallest
boars that carch white fish such
as cod in the English Channel and near Ireland. Fishing with-out a licence will be a criminal offence carrying a maximum fine of £50,000 on summary conviction, the Government announced yesterday. Four orders were laid yester-

day by Mr Peter Walker, Minister of Agriculture, Pisheries and Food. They cover the carch-ing and landing by British boats more than 40 ft long of cod, haddock, whiting, sole and

They will operate from April
7 and will mark the first extension of a licensing system for
white fish into western and south-western waters. Licences will be freely available to fish-ermen for all five species. If stocks dwindle too fast during the year ministers will have the power to ban catches of any species covered by the licences. Scientific evidence has shown that the stocks of white fish to the south-west of Britain are being reduced quickly.

# artemot in the Court of Appeal

carry out its obligations in the mid-1970s by failing to provide new hospital facilities in Birmingham. It comes after an un-successful damages claim in the High Court last year. Lord Justice Brie publicity exercise. Mr Blom-Cooper.-The four, including a girl aged 14, have been affected by

delayed treatment caused by long waiting lists in the Birm-ingham district. They seek a declaration that

a decision in 1975 by Mr David Ennals, then Secretary of State for Social Services, not to pro-vide six additional wards at the Good Hope Hospital, Sutton Coldfield, was a breach of his

Four National Health Service than to get publicity and vent patients launched a renewed a gridvance?" Mr Blom-Cooper said it was

yesterday to show that the De to show that the Secretary of partment of Health did not State had not performed his State had not performed his statutory duties. He hoped the judge did not rezard the case as a frivolous matter.

Lord Justice Bridge.-It is a Mr Blom-Cooper.-It is a very serious matter. It effects every

The four patients are: Mr. Alan Hincks, aged 54. of Sunset Alan Hincks, aged 54, of Sunset Close, Tamworth; Mrs Marie Fleming, aged 68, and Mrs Marjorie Lloyd, aged 64, both of Glascote Heath, Tamworth; and Lesley Smith, aged 14, of Handel Walk, Lichfield.

Mr Blom-Cooper said that since the action began Lesley

Lord Justice Bridge asked heir operations. It was now too heir counsel: "What is the purpose of this litigation other their continued to be hearing to be he

### £1 basic price of telegram Telegram charges are to the increases it is still expected

Office, for nearly five years.

The Watchdog Post Office
Users' National Council says the
increase is justified and also
welcomes the Post Office's
determination to keep the

Camies will rise from 70p to 1.6.
The cost a word for an inland
relegram will go from 7p to 10p;
but it will vary for the international service.
However, the Post Office says-

rise by an average of 35 per to make a substantial loss. cent on April 1, the first for inland and international increase, according to the Post cables will rise from 70p to £1.

service going.

In 1977 the Carter report by mail the next day, will stayrecommended that the service at 50p, the cost a word rising should be scrapped, and despite by only 1p to 5p.

# Farmers call for tough line with France

By Hugh Clayton

Farmers' leaders appealed to the Government yesterday for tough action over illegal French barriers against British lamb. Mr Richard Butler, president of the National Farmers' Union of England and Wales, said later that British farmers might demand similar illegal protec-tion against imports of food

from France. "Such retaliation would, of course, compound the damage which the French are doing to agricultural

Britain's contribution to the EEC budget or blunted by appeals from consumer groups and trade unions for a freeze on many farm prices.

The farmers' leaders met Mr Peter Welker, Minister of Agri-culture, Fisheries and Food, Mr George Younger, Secretary of State for Scotland, and junior overdo the squeeze."

Old alliance under strain.

Mr Stephen Roberts, chair-

risen by 5 per cent in 1978 and 21 per cent in 1979. "The EEC Commission estimate for 1980 is down to 2 per cent. My message therefore is of the need not to

### egal aid e under ··· I Chancellor

Legal Correspondent terial responsibility for in criminal cases is to ted from the Home o the Lord Chancellor's

means that the Lord lor's department will responsible for both i criminal legal aid, and ears of dissatisfaction e confusing and ineffiivision of responsibility the two departments. change, which was a parliamentary written comes after a strong sendation by the Royal ision on Legal Services. eported last year that all id should be under one

### Angels found guilty From Our Correspondent

Four defendants in the Hell's Angels trial at Winchester Crown Court were found guilty last night of riotous assembly

and assault. agree on verdicts involving the remaining 18 defendants, who deny similar charges. Two elso denied attempted murder. The The four found guilty are: George Asher, aged 29, an engineer, of Chesmut Close, Black-water, Hampshire; Harold Hein, aged 24, a charge hand, of Ludlow Road, Itchen, Southid should be under one ampton; Graham Maker, aged 18, of Wincanton Road, White transfer of functions is ley Wood, Reading, and Chris-

# Four Hell's

Southampton

id to be completed by topher Pitman, aged 26, of field Road, Reading.

An all-male jury failed to jury will return to continue considering their verdicts today.

### with the intention of permanently depriving them by falsely claiming that the horse was In the Money. He also denied dishonetty obtaining from the Transfer of the control world has now gor a great big with the query against it." manently manently falsely claim John Bowles, a racehorse trainer, was found guilty by majority verdicts at Exeter Crown Court yesterday on two denied disnonestly obtaining from the Tote the proceeds of a £50 bet. He was found guilty by majority verdicts of 10-2 after the jury had retired for nearly five hours. Mr Bowles has been cleared artists in the color of the c

Racehorse trainer is convicted

charges of deception. He was given an 18 month suspended sentence and fined The jury found that there

was a switch of a broken-down horse for a six times winner at the August Bank Holiday race meeting at Newton Abbot in Mr. Bowles, aged 35, of Court Farm, Llangartock, Crickhowell, Powys, was told by Judge Coun-sell: "You have undoubtedly

brought disgrace upon your racing fraternity, and I hope you feel somewhat chastened about that, I have no doubt

From Christopher Thomas

Northern Ireland police offi-

cers have been to West Ger-

many to help in the search for an IRA cell suspected of killing

British troops.

The Royal Ulster Constabu-

lary said its officers were back in the province, and refused to

elaborate. But there is a clear

implication that the IRA men

are receiving cooperation from

German terrorists.
The IRA's activity in Ger-

many has two advantages: their men are unknown whereas they

might have difficulty in getting

through the security net on the British mainland; and it spreads

the propaganda campaign.

The cooperation between Ger-

man terrorists and the IRA

probably extends to offering "safe houses" and escape

vehicles. It is also possible that

the IRA is given suggestions of

Criminal Investigations is focusing its attention on Baader-

Germany's Federal Office of

nossible targets.

Meinhof sympathizers.

Mr Bowles said afterwards.

"I am too sick to say anything but I shall be appealing against the conviction."

The borse at the Newton Abbot meeting which won by 20 lengths was billed as In the Monte described by the prose-

Money, described by the prose-cution as a broken-down, pigeou-toed hack with a disastrous record. The prosecution said a switch was made and that the real winner was a more successful stablemate called Cobblers March, a horse with six victories and numerous

placings.

Mr Bowles had denied you feel somewhat chastened disbonestly obtaining from about that. I have no doubt Weatherby's, the Jockey Club that your future in the racing agents, £525.76 prize money

**RUC** helps hunt for IRA cell in West Germany The IRA a month ago claimed sponsibility for the murder Colonel Mark Coe, of the British Army of the Rhine, out-side his home in Bielefeld, and later wounded two corporals.

There have been about a dozen bomb attacks on the BAOR in the past few years. The shootings are a new phenomenon, although there have been isolated incidents for which nobody claimed respon sibility. More and more Army personnel carry weapons and a series of precautions have been

taken. Churches churches in Ireland must accept some of the blame for the country's tragic period of violence, an Irish hishop said in Westminster Cathedral yester-day (the Press Association

reports).
The Church of Ireland Bishop of Menth and Kildare, the Most Rev Donald Caird, attacked their slowness "over decades, if not centuries", in dispelling misleading myths about each other.

### Scheme to boost subsidies on Scottish ferries From Ronald Faux

earlier in the trial, on the judge's direction, of two couspiracy charges. Those were dropped at the same time as the jockey of the winning horse, John Williams, aged 30,

was cleared of similar charges and one of deception.

The Jockey Club said later that a disciplinary inquiry would

probably he held to consider sus-pending Mr Bowles's licence.

sea lanes to the Scottish islands as highways, so that subsidies to ferry services can be improved. A consultative paper pub-lished yesterday by the Scottish

Office invited views from any organizations or individuals about how the Government's manifesto commitment to increase the ferry subsidy can best be carried out. There as been interest in the

the document points out that, strictly applied, such an approach could mean increasng some ferry fares. Alternatively, the document stated, Road Equivalent Tariff (RET) could be used flexibly as a guide to overall subsidy levels, or applied to freight-only traffic at the expense of

car and passenger fares.

The Government is canvass ing views on whether to treat

Agriculture Correspondent Notwegian system of relating ferry charges to the cost of travelling by road, although

> policy", he said. The union has claimed government aid of £2.3m to match what it seem as unfair

French subsidies to apple man of the Milk Marketing growers who sell in Britain. Board for England and Wales, Leaders of the NFU and its said yesterday that dairy surbargaining in Brussels about

Board for England and Wales, counterparts in Scotland and pluses in the EEC were much. Northern Ireland had asked for lower than they had been for a meeting with ministers to many years.
insist that their claims for price "We do not want to see insist that their claims for price "We do not want to see rises were not submerged in surpluses grow again", he said-But remember that we had a price freeze in the late 1960s

which resulted in shortages in the early 1970s."
Milk output in the EEC had

# £11m increase in arts grant but council still nearly £7m short

By Kenneth Gosling

Arts Reporter An increase of £11.725m in the Arts Council's grant was announced yesterday, but that will still leave the council nearly £7m short on its commit-

ments for the coming year.

The figure for 1980-81, given in a Commons reply by Mr Norman St John-Stevas, Chan-cellor of the Duchy of Lancas-ter and Minister for the Arts, is £70m, including £1m for capital spending on buildings for the arts.

The minister said: "While we would all like to do more for the arts, we have to recog-nize our economic difficulties and I feel that in the present circumstances this represents a

He said that after allowance was made for the reduction in last year's grant and for non-recurring capital items, such as the special grant towards pur-chase of the Covent Garden site in London and erection of the new building, the increase was £11.725m. That meant that expenditure next year would be in line with this year's when allowance was made for infla-

The Arts Council, in a statement and background paper, puts the aggregate commit-ment to its 1,200 clients in the coming year at £69.5m.
Although this is only £500,000

more than the cash available for the year, the legacy of excess commitments to be brought forward would increase the commitments to £75,924m, compared with £69m in cash. The total excess of £6,924m is just over 10 per cent of the

Fire destroys

holiday home

From Our Correspondent Colwyn Bay

Another English-owned holi-

day home in Wales ::as destroyed by fire yesterday, this time at Dyserth, near

A senior detective said it was suspected that the fire at a timber-built bungalow, had been started deliberately, but the incident did not fit the

pattern of others in the cam-paign against second homes.

The bungalow has a majory of vandalism, and early in January property was stolen. The house was left in disorder, which had not been cleared up by the owner. Mr Frederick Monks, of Castle road, Halton,

bungalow had a history

another

cash base. Although that is a lower proportion than the post-Budget figure for 1979-80, it is higher than the proportion on which the council had planned to operate in that year.

Any cuts in real terms that have to be imposed should be containable, the council says; at the same time, it planned to maintain its level of commitment to new work through schemes such as the drama and dance projects, awards to artists and new writing and musical composition.

In cash terms, the council began the current year with £2.725m in outstanding commit-ments brought forward from 1978-79. On the basis of its revenue cash allocation for the year of £58.665m it committed a further £61.250m, and that took the excess of commitments over cash to £5.310m.

Then the Budget in June cut

the available cash by £1.114m. That put up the commitment excess to £6.424m. Mr St John-Stevas said encouragement of private arts support would soon enter a more intensive phase; the National Heritage Bill would receive the Royal Assent later this month; public lending right would be in operation in 1982-83; and an announcement about

the new Turner Gallery was

gardens and the Queen Mother's birthday fountain have been expected next month, work on this having taken place at unprecedented speed Grateful response: The Arts Council said last night that it was "very grateful" to Mr St John-Stevas for his efforts to protect it from the worst of the Government's spending cuts.

Leading article, page 13

Australian Test

Max Walker, the Australian

Test cricketer, a member of the Australian side which toured England in 1977, accepted an apology, undisclosed damages,

and costs, in the High Court

yesterday in settlement of a

libel action against Express

Newspapers. Mr Walker, of Inglewood

Close, Doncaster, Victoria, com-

plained of an article in the Daily Express in July, 1977, Mr Patrick Milmo, his counsel, told Mr Justice Gibson that the article included allegations that Mr Walker had threatness Mr Jen Maddocks the

ened Mr Len Maddocks, the

team's manager, with physical assault. The newspaper now recognized that the allegation

cricketer gets

libel damages

An artist's impression of the fountain to mark the Queen Mother's eightieth birthday.

designed by Sir Peter Shep heard, past president of the Royal Institute of British Architects and the Institute of Landscape Architects.

The fountain, based on the design of the familiar dolphins entwining London Embankment lamp standards, will be in place by the autums, but completion of the gardens will have to wait on the completion of important road works, widening Vauxhall Bridge Road and Grosvenor Road.

The scheme provides for 390

homes to be let at fair rents bell distance of the Houses of agreed with the local renr officers, compared with 448 homes, mostly let at fair rents, on the estate now.

Repts for a new three-bedroom maisonette, provided with modern bathrooms and central heating, generally absent now, will be £100 a month.

The scheme also provides an additional 399 homes to be sold on short leases, including two new town squares and a luxury block with balconies over the Themes just within division

Elsewhere the scheme pro

yides for rehabilitation of houses in the Ponsonby eres at the east side of the estate; in-filling of bomb sites from the Second World War with facsimile buildings; rebuilding replicas of out-dated terraces; and building modern homes behind a facade which originally fromed the single-room barracks in which James Cubitt housed his workers when the estate was originally

### Boards urged to waive repair

Electricity boards should waive their callout charges when their engineers carry out minor repairs for blind consumers, the Electricity Consumers' Council says in a discussion paper released today.

The council found that at
present only the North Western
Electricity Board would waive

charges to blind

## Mancunians face more a tang of the satanic pa in threat of growing coa

The city of Manchester, which much of the rest of the world still thinks of as a wet, smoky. saturate sort of place, has a most completed its smok most completed its shows elimination programme span-ning more than a century, and can claim a doubling of winter, sunshine hours and a halving,

of the bronchins death rate during the past 25 years. A new difficulty is emerging, however, the risk of an increase in sulphur diaxide air pollution resulting from the world energy

Smoke from coal fires and open chimneys has been almost eliminated by the city's " smokeess zone" controls, which set lead to the nation in the 1950s, and by subsequenc smoke control area regulations backed by government legislation. More than 90 per cent of the total area of the city of Manchester and 85 per cent of the homes in it are now subject to smoke control orders.

Since 1959 winter smoke has been reduced by 90 per cent but the sulphur dioxide content in the air has been reduced by only 67 per cent. That is the factor which now concerns Mr John Richards, the city's assistant director of environmental health, who is in charge of pollution control.

Sulphur dioxide occurs in oldfestioned smoke itself, of course, but it can also be created by modern all-burning heating systems, particularly if cheaper grades of oil with a high sulphur content are used. The present financial climate, Mr Richard thinks, may persuade industrialists and householders to ceturn to coal as a teating and energy agent where

it is permitted.
In a recent paper to the city council he wrote: "The gross smoke and sulphur dioxide pollution which formerly obtained in the city has now been eli-minated but there is no cause for complacency and further improvements in air quality are necessary and desirable. "The effects of the energy crisis and of the Opec oil price increases are forcing oil users Regional re John Charf

Manchester

to turn to beavier as a higher supplier con other fuels.

"The increased de natural gas cannot be pite the willingness potential users to pa Accordingly all th indicate an increasin to return to coal with regard to both sulphur dioxide may iorate over the new rather than continu centre. It will be hard tain what has been alone secure much fi provement." If that happens it

tragedy for Manches not only sarned the being "the home abatement" because pioneering efforts being safer the Secon War but which had in Act of 1844 a prove every person who et the distance of 100 the distance of 100 y any dwelling house, fins or coffin board cags or any offensive so that the same sh annovance to anvit

should be liable to a to 40 shillings. Manchester had go to be in the forefront control. In 1866 its n ficer of health. Dr Jo reported that the exce tality in the city we phere.

Zoologists record the Manchester moths turn themselves blace camouflage against s trees. More recent sh shown that they are to their original colour as a result of legislation.

### Insurance scheme challenge | Youth gets two by solicitors fails Two solicitors left the High

Court yesterday facing an esti-mated £30,000 bill for costs after Mr Justice Slade had re-jected their challenge to the legality of the Law Society's compulsory insurance scheme. The scheme indemnifies solici-tors against civil liability for professional negligence or

London to

new public

London is to gain new public

ardens in a traditional, but

thoroughly refurbished, square. The scheme forms part of the Crown Estate Commis-

ioners' detailed plan for their

28-acre Millbank estate at the

northern end of Vauxhall Bridge, and will include a

fountain erected to mark the

eightieth birthday on August 4 of Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother.

Plans for the estate's redevelopment have been in

gestation for years, and were first announced in outline in

1972 Work is in progress on

some sites, one new block is complete, and applications for the final devailed planning

approvals are before Westmin-

Lord Thomson of Monifieth,

the First Commissioner, announced yesterday that it was

hoped to complete the scheme

present-day prices at £75m.

by 1985, at a cost estimated at

Lord Thomson also announced that the Drummond Gate com-plex of office buildings planned

for the north-western corner of

the estate, by Pimlico Under-ground station, has been let in

The new square will be Bessborough Gardens. Both the

entirety to the Metropolitan

ster City Council.

gardens

By Robin Young

have

breach of duty.

Mr James Swain, who practises from Staple Inn, London, and Mr Alan McLean, of Burnham-on-Sea, Somerset, sought declarations that the scheme was null and void and that the Law Society, the profession's governing body, was not entitled to retain for its own purposes commission received from the insurers on premiums paid by

solicitors. In 1978 the com-mission was £640,000. Mr Justice Slade dismissed the action and ordered the two solicitors to pay the Law Society's costs, with the exception of a modest amount which had been incurred unnecessarily through a pretrial misunder-

standing by the Law Society. Afterwards Mr McLean said and Mr Swain had brought the action as individuals, although they had received some financial support from other solicitors. They had about £10,000 in hand, but costs were unofficially estimated at about

Giving judgment, the judge said he was satisfied that the Solicitors Act. 1974, empowered the Law Society to make the rules setting up the compulsory insurance scheme, and the society was not bound to account to solicitors for any part of the commission received. It was obviously commercial common sense for the Law Society to receive the com-mission, which would be applied for the benefit of the profession

The judge added that it was neither necessary nor appropri-ate to enter into a debate on the merits or demerits of the Law Society's scheme. Law Report, page 14

### rape sentences within fortnight Albert Bailey, aged 17, who

was jailed for seven years earlier this month for an attack on a woman on a canal towpath was jailed yesterday at Birmingham Crown Court for five years for raping a girl of 14. It was disclosed afterwards that only a few hours after he had been given bail accused of raping the girl of 14 he struck

again.

That night, the court was told, he and another youth pounced on a divorced woman, aged 19, who was forced to strip and was raped. She jumped naked

was raped. She jumped naked into a canal to escape.

Bailey, of Oldbury Road, Smethwick, West Midlands, pleaded guilty yesterday to raping the girl on waste ground to the High Street. The sentence is to rap concurrently. tence is to run concurrently with the seven-year term. At the earlier hearing Mr Justice Mars-Jones ordered that Bailey's name should not be published because a second trial

the charge when its engineers mended fuses or changed plugs for blind people who could not perform such tasks.

### Criminals' cash from press taxable

The court dismissed an ap-

peal by the wife of Charles Wilson, one of the great train robbers, against a High Court judge's order that she must wives so as to get a sensational pay tax on £39,000 she received story to publish." It was legal,

papers should pay tax on the money, Lord Denning, Master of the Rolls, said in the Court of Appeal yesterday.

The court dismissed Criminals or their relatives from the News of the World and the payments we had sell their stories to news for articles on her life and Mrs Patricia Wilso Justice Dunn, said many people regretted the practice of some newspapers in paying money to criminals or their

away to Canada with band after he escape 30-year jail sentence Lord Denning said that Mrs Wilson was Canada during the when the story published did n from paying United

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logy.

The Government accepts the said that a considerable sacrifice is being asked of our sportsmen since to forgo the Olympics would involve the loss of an irreplaceable opportunity. Of course, we fully understand the dilemma many athletes may find themselves in.

The first efforts of the Covern. The first efforts of the Govern-

ment had been to my and get the games moved from Moscow. Bri-tish arbietes had subjected them-selves to a hard discipline for many months or years, in order to arrive at peak condition for the summer games.

We fully sympathize and understand their feelings (be said); we all share the pride of those British atbletes who in the past have been successful in the Olympic Games. The Minister of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs (Mr Douglas Hurd) was in Geneva with representatives from like-minded countries to examine the possibility of sportsmen competing in similar circumstances to the Olympic Games. There were many practical difficulties in the way.

Governments in a free world Governments to a free world could not organize sporting events. They could encourage but the organization was rightly and properly left for the sporting bodies. They had their own rules and procedure to largely decide when international sporting events took place. He hoped they would note the effort to mount the alternative frames.

f all contacts in polit-g, cultural or scientific nore than it was advo-ence of all trade links, of the individual. He did net

In the circumstances, the Cov-

ports. Certain decisions inevitably flowed from the Government's decision to advise not to go to Moscow.

The Sports Council had been advised that public money should not be made available to send athletes to Moscow. It would be wrong for the Government to con-tinue to have an agraché in Moscow belping organize British participa-

The Government's attitude to the leave facilities for civil servants and, members of the armed forces had been unsrepresented and exaggerated. No official instructions had yet gone out.

The Government had decided that it could not grant special paid leave to those working in the public services for purposes which it believed were against its interests. How individuals used annual leave and whether they asked for unpaid leave were matters, in a free society, for the individual. Naturally, the Government hoped individuals would listen to advice but in the less recort the decision but in the last resort the decision would rest with the individual.

would rest with the individual.

It had been suggested that athletes should demonstate their disapproval while taking part in the events. This was not a course he could commend. To attend was to become a guest and to accept the rules of the host. Refusal to comply with the requirements of the organizers could be represented as disruption or, in Soviet terms, hooliganism.

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We are convinced (he said) that the only effective course of action is purely and simply non-participa-The British Olympic Association Sport. The arguments of the association were fallacious because they ignored the Sovier attitude to the Olympic Games.

Sport. The arguments of the association were fallacious because they ignored the Sovier attitude to had recently taken place—50 the Olympic Games.

The Societ Union saw the games as a propaganda exercise from which they hoped to derive great advantage. Sport engendered enormous public interest among the Soviet people. Without full international participation, the Moscow Olympic Cames would be fatally flawed and it would not be easy to hide that fact.

hide that fact. All this explained why the British Olympic Association was wrong in seeing no difference between the presence of athletes in Moscow and the presence of the British Ambassador.

Distinguished as the ambassador was, his presence to Moscow could not be said to confer a great propaganda victory upon the Soriet regime, but the presence of the Western athletes at the games would undoubtedly constitute a great propagated victory for them. If they wished to go, so he it, but they should at least know what they were doing and should reflect carefully before they reached a

final decision.

Mr Brezhnev had said that the

their athletes in Moscow would no more signify their approval of Russian behaviour in Afghabistan that the continued presence there of the British Ambassador, and politics should be kept separate from pic Games which were primarily should be the separate from pic Games which were primarily should be the separate from pic Games which were primarily should be the separate from pic Games which were primarily should be separated.

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Part of this campaign could certainly be ascribed to the efficial concern that nothing should be allowed to mar the resounding propagands victory that the Soviet authorities had hoped to gain from the Olympic Games.

The preservation of the Olympic float which the now have of

itself be a reason for not going to Moscow this summer. The decision hy Western nations not to participate in the Olympics would be a message that where Soviet actions

message that where sower actions in international affairs were unacceptable. Western nations would not blandly condone them.

The decision to participate would be a betrayal of all they had so courageously fought to defend. The Government believed many prominent sporting countries would decide not to to go to Moscow and did not believe that under these circumstances that British these circumstances that British athletes would want to go to what would be discredited games. The Government had considered

Mr Brezhnev had said that the decision to intervene in Afghanistan had been difficult. The decision to decline an invitation to participate in the Olympic Games was no less difficult, but grave breaches of international order required scrious responses and there was no other Western response which would be so unequivocably clear to millions of bridinary people in the Soviet Union.

Another important element was the question of human rights and the position of the Soviet dissidents. Dr Sukhanov had said that

If the Covernment was de-

## £70m grant for Arts Council

Mr Norman St John-Stevas, Chan-cellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Arts, announced that the Government grant to the Aris Council for the coming year would be 170m.

Mrs Rence Short (Wolverhampton, Mrs Renee Short (Wolverhampton, North-East, Lab)—I do not wish to be churlish to Mr St John-Stevas but that £9m increase does not make up for the cut of £1.25m, the Government made in the arts, nor for the 20 per cent unflation which the labour-intensive arts are suffering from acutely. Nor does it in any way meet the doubling of the any way meet the doubling of the VAT on the arts. What prospect can be offer of an improved situa-

Mr Norman St John-Stevas (Chelmsford, C)—I am the last person to accuse her of being churlish to me, but she is less than her usually generous self

on these matters. The fact is that the Arts Council grant amounts to £11.75m and we hope that the inflation rate will not be 20 per cent this year. That £11.75m represents an increase of 20 per cent and that is a fair deal for the arts.

I should much rather see a big-ger grant, but in these circum-stances, I think she will agree that the aris have not done too badly. Mr Patrick Cormack (South-West Staffordshire, C)-Would the minister bear in mind that it would be helpful if the Arts Council knew Government intentions further

Mr Norman St John-Stevas-That is a fair point. It has been a particularly difficult year. We have had reviews of all expenditure going on but this announce-ment has been made earlier than

the general announcements on public expenditure. The Arts Council gets earlier informal notification, I hope that next year there will be different circumstances and we shall be able to get these anouncements over earlier. these anouncements over earlier.

Mr Andrew Faulds, Opposition spokesman on the arts (Warley, East, Lab)—Perhaps the Minister will temper his euphoria and show penitence, because this grant does not meet inflation rates and the likely inflation rate under this Government's policies.

Mr Norman St John Sterns—At a Mr Norman St John Stevas—At a period of cut back in Govern-ment expenditure, we can all be ment expenditure, we can all be proud of the arts figure.

On penitence, I have no doubt I have a great deal to be sorry for—like most people—but when Mr Faulds makes an act of contribon, for his sins, I shall happily join him.

### **Increase in business Property** and life in Wales at risk

A BBC television programme about arson in holiday cortages in Wales gave a platform for a limited minority tien which would encourage further acts of arson. Mr Nicholas Edwards, Secretary of State for Wales, said during ques-

He said the broadcasting authorities should consider the consequences of their action when property and life were put at risk

erry and life were put at risk.

Mr Abse (Pontypool, Lab) askeJ—
To mitigate the effects upon the investment from outside Wales as a consequence of the arson taking place there, bas he had, as I understand he was going to have, discussions with the Home Secretary to ensure that we have no more programmes, irresponsible as they have been, from the BBC which indicate that they have colluded with arsonists and have presented unbalanced programmes which act as an incitement to arson?

as an incitement to arson? Mr Edwards (Pembroke, C)-I am in touch with the Home Secretary.
I expressed my views about this programme before it was held.

If the Government was de-termined to step athletes from going as distinct from advising them not to go, it knew it would have to come to the House and ask for specific power. Quasi compulsion was repugant. It reflected the lack of under-standing of the people the Gov-ernment had been elected to lead. The British people could be per-suaded but they always refused to be builled. I do not accept the case put forward by Sir Michael Swann in a letter to The Times justifying this programme. In my view it pre-sented and gave a platform to a limited minority view which will encourage further acts of that kind, and the Cluef Constable, of North Wales has stated that it will make his task more difficult. We have here (he said) in thus Olympics issue all the makings of a total botch. What started as a reasonable and widely shared ob-

I hope that the broadcasting authorities will consider carefully the consequences of their action when property and life are being put at risk. Sir Anthony Meyer (West Flint, C1-What contribution does he think the programme of arson of country cottages in North Wales is

naking to the creation of employment, particularly in North Wales?
Has he received from Plaid Cymru an unequivocal denuaciu-tion not only of the acts of arson but of the motives behind these

Mr Edwards—I hope that all MPs would condemn action that damaged and descroyed property and endangered life. He is right that they do serious damage to the economy of the area. They will weaken the tourist industry and may prevent and deter investment from coming in.

I hope that all MPs and all political parties will condemn these acts with full rigour. I would hope members of Plaid Cymru would join in that condemnation. Mr Dafydd Thomas (Merioneth, Pl Cymru)—He will be aware of the statements I have made at successive sessions of the committee on the Housing Bill on this issue. I am certain he would like to draw the attention of Sir Anthony Meyer to

Mr Edwards-It would belo the House if he had repeated the con-demnation, if that is what it was, in unequivocal terms today.

# sponsorship of arts

While the Government has made clear that it will continue public support of the arts. for any increase in patronage, the arts must look to the private sector. Mr Norman St John-Stevas, Chanceilor of the Duchy of Lancaster and

Norman St John-Stevas, Chanceilor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Arts said at question time.

He told Mr William Hamilton (Central Fife, Lab) that there had been a continuing positive response by the business world to appeals for increased sponsorship of the arts. of the arts. Mr Hamilton-It is obvious that

the arts will have to depend more and more on private sponsorship, since the Government will not give since the Government with the site to prosper by that means. Will he undertake, in view of the enormous windfall profits of the oil companies and the banks to approach them to disperse some of their ill-gotten-gains? Mr Norman St John-Stevas-Mr Hamilton is not right. The

Government has made clear that it intends to continue public support for the arts, but I agree that for any increase we must look to the private sector. We have had considerable success. ABSA estimates that private sup-

I accept the suggestion that the bunks and oil companies should be approached for their legitimate—not their ill-gotten-gains and I am happy to suggest, with Mr Hamilton's support, that they should make an even bigger contribution to the arts. Mr Robert Atkins (Preston, North, C)—Does the minister think that sponsorship by the private sector will overcome the problems for the theatre of 15 per cont VAT?

Mr Norman St John-Sievas— That is a different issue. I hope that the increase in private sponsorship will help, not only theaters, but the entire arts world

### New task for Lord Chancellor

Mr Nicholas Baker (North Dorset, C) asked whether the Prime Minister had reached a decision about the recommendations of the Royal Commission on Legal Services relating to ministerial responsibil-ity for legal aid.

Mrs Margaret Thatcher, in a written reply, said—Yes. An order will be laid before the House traces ferring to the Lord Chancellor responsibility for legal aid in crim-

inal proceedings in England and Provision will similarly be made for the Lord Chancellor to assume responsibility for costs in criminal

It is intended that the Lord Chancellor will also assume responsibility for both tivil and criminal legal aid in Northern Ire-land when this is administratively

### Lord Soames welcomed

House of Lords
Lord Soames. Lord President of
the Council and Leader of the
House, was welcomed back on his
return frum Rhodesia.
Lord Goronwy-Roberts, for the
Opposition, said they were
delighted to see him back after bis
trying but successful time in the
service of Britain there.
We welcome (he continued) how
he has responded to and

he has responded to and encouraged the new Prime Minis-ter of Zimbabwe who, by word and deed, has shown a good example to everyuse in Africa on how to pro-ceed in future.

What that Prime Minister has done since he was appointed by the Governor General should serve as.

Governor General should serve as an encouragement to the South African Republic to be consider-ably more forthcoming about co-operating in the emergence of Namipla to independence similar

New terrorism adviser The appointment of another adviser to the Rome Secretary (Mr William Whitelaw) was announced by Lord Beistead, Under Secretary,

by Lord Belstead, Under Secretary, Home Office, when he moved the Prevention of Terrorism (Temporary Provisions) Act 1976 (Continuance) Order.

Mr Whitelaw had asked Lord linderhill to become an adviser on some of the exclusion orders under the Act. He had agreed.

The order was approved.

The British Aerospace Bill, which has passed the Commons and which provides for the dissolution of British Aerospace, completed its committee stage.

pleted its committee stage. House adjourned, 9.53 pm.

### PLO must be in Middle East settlement

It would be a great mistake to assume that a Middle East settleassume that a Middle East settle-ment was possible without taking into account the Palestine Libera-bon Organization, which was not as such a terrorist organization. Lord Carrington, Secretacy of State for Foreign and Common-wealth Affairs, said in question time exchanges.

Lord Byers, leader of the Liberal neers, had asked him if he regarded the PLO as a terrorist organization.

Lord Carrington—I do not think the PLO as such is a terrorist organization. I think there are some elements of the PLO which in the past have been associated with the terrorists, but it would be a mistake to assume that it is posible to get a sertlement in the area without taking into account the

### Commission's papers

The Government was aware that disquiet had been expressed about the continuing confidentiality of records still in the hands of the Price Commission. Lord Trefgame, rice Commission. Lord Treigane, a Lord in Waiting, said following consideration of amendments to the Competition Bill.

When the commission was abolished all its remaining files would become the property of the Secretary of State for Trade.

The Bill was read the third time and ressed.

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national sports and international politics should be kept apart. That was the dominant opinion of sportsmen who were concerned, above all, with pitting their strengths and skills against other strengths and section against other competing sportsmen. Hardly at all were they concerned with the political system in which they and their competitors lived.

He understood that view but He understood that view but did not share it. It was not the view of the Labour Party, of Commonwealth governments nor of the International Olympics Committee, all of whom had insisted that South Africa, where racial discrimination was the dominant principle in society which affected the organization of sport, should be excluded from the world of sport.

sport.

The question of principle on the linkage of sport with international and external policy caused no difficulty for him or his party. The question was whether it was sensible to apply it to the Soviet Union in the context of Afghanistan and whether sufficient company agreement, which to be mon agreement, which to be effective had to be collective otherwise it was a unilateral gesture, could be effectively mobilized.

monuted.

The Soviet Union's montres might be complex but it had involved the swallowing up of a neighbouring independent country. neighbouring independent country and the suppression of its people. He was not convinced that to switch the Olympic Games would aftersely affect human rights and civil liberties in the Soviet Union or heighten tension between the great powers. The Soviet Union had already, since the invasion, shown its approach to civil and human rights in as dramatic a way as they could find by stripping the as they could find by stripping the most renowned of their human rights leaders of all his bosours and basishing him from Moscow, where he and his fellow protesters might be in touch with Western visitors to the Olympics.

Neither in the West nor the Soviet Union was there any intention of abandoning the major advances of the last decade or allowing the resumption of the old cold war. This was a limited and specific action in the civil sphere.

ey Rippon thexham, if it expected British athletes to the bureaucracy that ran the however much they give up the opportunity of Olympic Soviet Union.

Because we are in opposition to the political and social system

The peace and stability of the world was more important than a few gold medals. The Government must act and not just use sportsmen as their sole political pawn in this whole procedure.

Mr Michael McGuire (Ince, Lab) said Russia would use the games as a vehicle for propagands, say-ing that the West was not bothered about the invasion of a defenceless

He hoped the Olympic Committee would get the message. Most
people in this country would be
affronted if the Commons on a
free vote voted in favour of athletes going to Moscow. MPs had
a duty to say they condemned
the invasion and that was the best
way to humiliate a country which
deserved to be humiliated. He
would note for the boycon.

would vote for the boycon.

Mr. Hugh Fraser (Sufford and Stone, C) said that he did not know what was meant by neutralizing Afghanistan. That was hardly a doctrine that would give encouragement to those fighting against the Soviet attack on Afghanistan.

This matter should not fall on the athletes alone. It was possible that by June or July when a wasteland had been made of Afghanistan the Soviet Union would say it was prepared for neutralization.

There had been a ritual dance about the Olympic Games, and diplomatic buffoonery. These were serious matters. There should be a proper response to one of the most bestial acts in modern his-

ton. Lab) said he could not sup-

Labour amendment. Both of them

avoided the serious issues with

which they were faced. They could only discuss this matter if they

looked at the whole international

scene, the build-up of tension and

tension was heightened.

the dangers that could arise if that

athletes going or not going to Mos-cow. They could easily find them-selves in a situation where they were heading rowards a third

world war. He regretted that an amendment

which he and other Labour MPs had tabled—cathing on the Soviet Union to withdraw its troops, stating that the boycott would be counter productive, and urging that British athletes should be allowed to take part in the sames—

allowed to take part in the games—
was no called so that they could

He was bitterly opposed to the Russian invasion. No one could

the areas where it could accuse him of being soft in relation terested in a partial Olympics

for their position.

It was not just a question of

port, but a trading, comultural and political boywould have had no
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He had sympathy with those who protested against double standards in these matters. A resolution on the Commons order paper before the Soviet move against Afghanistan invited the House to support the forthcoming British Lions Rugby tour of South Africa and called on the Government to do likewise.

His own view was that they would be doing Russia a singular lavour if they and others allowed Moscow the great spectacle and triumph of the 1980 Olympic Games. After Afghanistan and unless there was a change in their policy and occupation there, why should they? (Cheers.)

It was reasonable to suppose that if a sufficient number of countries decided not to attend this more clearly than anything else would communicate to the Soviet people as well as their Soviet people as well as their Soviet people as well as their shorts and be understood there are sufficient number of the standard of the Labour movement.

It was reasonable to suppose that if a sufficient number of countries decided not to attend. this more clearly than anything else would communicate to the Soviet people as well as their government the condemnation of the world as aiready expressed at the United Nations.

On the other hand, for the world community to send their athletes to Moscow now would be interpreted by the Soviet people or interpreted for them, as international acceptunce and approval of the Soviet Union and its policies. He found repugnant the image of British athletes at the opening and final ceremonies or whenever British success was whenever British success was secured parading with the flag and anthem and poying collective res-ponse to the leaders of the Soviet Union.

The House was being asked to declare itself against the United Kingdom taking part without any regard to the conditions laid down on January 17 by the Prime Minister. Those conditions

mattered.

If only a handful of the leading nations of sport stayed away, the impact on the Moscow spectacle would be greatly reduced and so would the possibility of organizing alternative high level event. There was a danger of Western divisions being exploited to the advantage of Moscow to their own embarrassment.

If neither the national Olympics committee nor the other sport-ing authorities in Britain could be

Because we are in opposition to the political and social system which operates in the Soviet Union (He said) that is no insuffication for allowing ourselves to get into a position where we could become victims of a third world war. Nobody will win in a third world

If they fought an oppressor with

similar methods against their own people they would not win support among the people. The official Labour amendment did not clarify

where they stood. Either one was for sending the athletes or one was

Mir Michael Brotherton (Louth, C)

said the only effective way to get a message across to the people of Russia that the invasion of Af-

ghanistan was entirely disapproved of was through the medium of the Olympic Games.

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Mr Clement Freud (Isle of Ely, L)

tourists.

ment. Mr Shore said be understood there were different views. There was a free vote.

He was giving his view and giving it as truthfully as he could (Conservative cheers).

(Conservative Cheers).

There was no consultation before the Prime Minister's first statement on January 17. There was no consultation with the British Olympics Committee beyond one formal meeting between the Minister for Sport and Sir Denis Follows. The art of persuasion of winning consent was not a strong suit of the Prime Minister or of her Cabinet. If action in the Olympic sphere was to be effective, there had to be a winning of consent both abroad and at home.

Where were the alternative sites

Where were the alternative sites to which the Lord Privy Seal had referred on an earlier occasion?
What were the views of the sportof play now in trying to reach agreement with Britain's principal agreement with Britain's principal allies and with other countries? The House bad not yet been told yet this was crucial to any sensible yote or decision the House made tonight.

jective has been turned by in-competence and mishandling into a source of serious division and one that is likely to be damaging us all. (Conservative protests). In putting forward the resolution the Government of the resolution the Government was treating the House with cynicism. There was assertily reason why the House should be expressing a view today, simply because a Foreign Minister was meeting a handful of other ministers in Geneva.

If the Government did not obtain the treating the did not obtain the treating the did not obtain

substantial—he did not say univer-sal—agreement at home and abroad with its own sporting people and with a number of courtries who were principally con-cerned, it would only do great damage to the reputation of this will of the Government and The will of the Government and of the House would have been seen

to be flouted and it would be a gift to Soviet propaganda. וח בעכם כגרכטים nor recommend a British boycom but rather concentrate on how British athletes could avoid the more offensive ceremonies which were

offensive ceremonies which were not the same than scrucial to any sensible tonight.

Following the initial reply by Sir Denis Follows, the Prime Minister seemed to have lost her putience and in anger and frustration decided to turn on the unfortunate athletes themselves.

Last week (he said) we had what

I have not seen his observations in the Housing Bill committee. If it was a condemnation of this arson, I welcome the statement he has

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## said the Liberals would support the amendment because they deplored the Government's way of enforcing the sanctions. It was asking the athletes to bear the brunt of its displeasure. It was asking athletes to accept the supreme sacrifice while it was keeping officials in the embassy in Moscow to look after Mr Terence Higgins (Worthing, C) said it would be counter-productive if the Covernment and House appealed to the athletes not to go to Moscow and then they went just

The Russians would exploit the Moscow Olympics for political purposes. It did not follow that in a free country they should go ahead and use sport for political purposes in order to damage the Russians. The essential point was that they had to persuade the athletes not to go. The events of the last few days had not been helpful in persuading them to boycott the Moscow Games.

If the Government wanted to persoade the athletes not to go it should put a unilateral stop on new export credit subsidies. That would have a significant impact. The Gov-eriment should make a renewed effort to stop the export of the butter mountain at subsidized prices from the EEC. (Cheers.) He had grave doubts whetherthe idea of an alternative Olympics was at all feasible, hieres viewed the proposals with great cynicism. The

whole point about the Olympic Games was what the late lan Mac-

lead used to call the pursuit of excellence. Athletes were not in-

rld peace is more important than a few gold medals political issue simply because they were athletes, but British athletes were entitled to expect the tihey should not stand alone. If they were tobe expected to give up a chance of a lifetime they

were entitled to look to the Government and the rest of the nation to make equivalent gestures in other directions. Mr James Welibeloved Bexley, Erith and Crayford, Lub) said there months afterthe invasion of Afghanistan the Soviet troops were still there and people were still being murdered and it would be a disgrace if that action and suppression should be condoned by the

international sporting community by their going to the Moscow Mr Tam Dalyell (West Lothian, Lab) said be disputed the prmise on which the debate was taking place tha the regretable invasion of Afghanistan was simply to be seen in terms that were wholly black. This was a complex issue

and there were various shades of Bestial acts were being done in Afghanistan before asoldier of the Red Army entered the country; 58,000 people had had their throats cut in the four months before they went in. He conceded that if it was about global aggression their athletes would have no business in going but the difficult mountains of Afghanistan were an oddplace to start a global aggression.

Mr Winston Churchill (Stretford. C) said the Russians regarded the Olympics as a political orey in glorification of Soviet foreign and domestic policies.

Those who go (he said) in quest of devalued gold in Moscow will be paying tribute to the guardians of the world's greatest concentration

Mr Denis Howell, Opposition spokesman on sport (Birmingham, Small Heath, Lab), said that some had known for a long time that sport could not be divorced from the chief of the could be that was a lot different but the different but the but that was a lot different but the but that was a lot different but the but that was a lot different but the politics, but that was a lot different from saving sport would be used as a political weapon and that the Olympic Games were the only effective way of confronting the Soviet Union over Afghanistan. The sportsmen should not allow

themselves to be browbeaten or brainwashed. In the face of all the double talk, discriminatory treatment, no effective action taken on ment, no estective action taken on trade, petty pressures on teachers, civil servants and now involving funds of the British Olympic Association, they had every right to assert their right to be in Muscow and to represent their country with the greatest distinction.

Mr Eidon Griffiths (Bury St. Mr Michael Heseltine, Secretary of Edmonds, C) saida thletes could not contract out of a national political issue simply because they were athletes, but British athletes prevent further shipments of agricultural surpluses to the Soviet Union. The European Commission raceal ydecided to consider again tenders for the subsidized sale of intervention butter. As to the transfer of scientific

technology to the eastern block the Government was now considering with its allies how they could tightwith its alies now per combined the rules over exports to the Soviet Union. Until that had been considered Britain would not submit any proposals for exports to the Soviet Union to the Comecon

the Soviet Union to the Conecon committee.

The Government was not asking Britain to make a unitateral decision to boycott the Olympic Games and to act alone in the world. The world was already taking decisions in countr yafter country.

The Government had to consider what the saw to Government what to say to Government employees who wished to take part in the Moscow games. Applications for special leave without pay and for annual leave would not be refused except on operational

Applications for special leave with pay were unlikely to be accepted. There would be no ques-tion of adverse or permanent career damage to those who felt they ought to go. Mr Howell-Would he state categorically that the funds collected voluntarily by Servicemen and their wives for supporting the Bri-tish Olympic Association will with-out further let or hinderance be

allowed to pass to that organiza-Mr Heseltine-Those funds will certainly be made available but not as part of the cost of going to Moscow Olympics. (Noisy interruptions and shouts of "Cheat'

and "Robber".)

The Government would take no steps to interfere with citizens who decided to travel to Russia for the Olympics. The decision on whether to cover the games rested with the broadcasting organizations. The Government would not interfere with the decisions they took.

The amendment was rejected by

305 votes to 183-Government majority 117, and the motion carried by 315 votes to 147-Government majority, 163. House adjourned, 10.56 pm. Parliamentary notices

House of Commons
Today at 2.50: Social Security Bill progress on remaining stages. House of Lords
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Brussels, March 17

A strong plea by Sir Geof-frey Howe, Chancellor of the Exchequer, for a redress of Britain's EEC budget deficit was greeted by other EEC finance ministers here today with what he himself described

as "a deafening silence". The gulf between Britain and its EEC partners on the budget issue was apparently so deep that other member states did not consider it worthwhile even to go through the motions of repeating their already wellknown positions.

Mr Alfons Van der Stee, the Dutch Finance Minister, is flying to London tomorrow for talks with Sir Geoffrey in an attempt to persuade him that Britain must reduce its budget claim if there is to be any

The Dutch Finance Minister said he was prepared to offer to mediate between Britain and the rest of the Community if Sir Geoffrey could offer some sign that his Government was prepared to be more flexible than hitherto.

Mr Van der Stee confessed, however, that he was "deeply pessimistic" about the chances of a solution to the budget dispute being found at the next EEC summit meeting in Brus-sels on March 31 and April 1. Sir Geoffrey told his EEC colleagues that the size of

dicted to reach £1.300m this year—was "indefensible". It was essential that the summit meeting should lead to agree-ment on both the amounts and the duration of financial relief

Britain is asking for a £350m refund on its gross contribution to budget revenue, supplemented by an increase of between £550m and £650m in British receipts from the budget which, on a per capita basis, are at present less than half the Community average.

Sir Geoffrey said there was no technical obstacle to achieving the British objectives, sino had shown hos extra EFC funds could be channelled to agreed development projects in Eritain. It was simply a ques-tion of generating the political

prepared to see a budget solu-tion as part of a wider set-tlement of Community disputes, on such matters as lamb, fish and the level of farm prices, Sir Geoffrey replied that he understood why other member states were seeking to make this link. In their position he would do the same.

But the Chancellor carefully refrained from saying whether Britain was in practice prepared to consider such a trade off. The British budget claim; he said "commands and requires a solution on its own

The contentious budget issue is to be taken up again to-morrow by Lord Carrington, the Foreign Secretary, and other EEC foreign ministers. It seems unlikely however that they will be able to advance the debate much further than their financial colleagues. Everything thus now waits on the summit meeting.

Schmidt, meeting: Discretion was the keyword after the four and a half hour working dinner which President Giscard d'Estaing had with Herr Helmut Schmidt, the West German Chancellor, at his home in Hamburg last night (Charles Hargrove writes from Paris).

The President said after-ards the meeting had been particularly useful with a view to meeting the coming dead-lines which are important both for Europe and for the world". Today, the spokesman of the Elysee Palace emphasized that "France has the political will to achieve an equitable solu-tion" to the problems facing the member countries of the European Community.

This solution must deal with all the problems concerned. But in order to achieve it, "the order to achieve it, political will of Prance must be shared by her permers".

He added that the discussions etween the two statesmen had exhaustive and yer friendly, and covered not only the Community's difficulties, but all international issues. Both had agreed in particular

that it was necessary to get the Euro-Arab dialogue under way again. This was a constant theme of the talks M Giscard on or generating the political d'Estaing had with rulers, of the Gulf states and of the Asked whether Britain was Arabian peninsula.



The King and Queen of Spain arriving in Copenhagen on a three-day state visit to Denmark.

the soldiers on the beaches with their invaluable trailors

the Mayor of Tregastel: "The

people here will no longer lend a helping hand. They have had it, brimful and flowing over." Local people complain that

the decision to launch the "Polmar plan", which was worked out after the Amoco Cadiz disaster, was taken far too late because the authorities

were afraid of spending money. Another local grumble is that

virtually nothing seems to have

been learnt about cleaning up polluted beaches or dispersing

oil at sea in the two years that have passed since the Amoco

plastic sheeting to protect the beaches has been available. So far the Ministry of the

Environment has allocated one

million francs to the work of

cleaning up the Tanio oil, and

went down. Insufficient

### Bretons angered by apparent failure to stem oil pollution along their coastline

Paris, March 17 With the worst of the high spring tides of this week still to come, the thick black oil from the tanker Tanio has now reached more than 60 miles of Brittany beaches. The prefec-ture in the Côte du Nord still describes the situation as being "not very serious", but local people are beginning to show increasing resentment at what they see as lack of official action to minimize oil pollution along their coastline.

So far the oil has only seriously polluted a small enough area around the pink granite coast at Tregastel, Ploumanouch and Perros Guirec. Here every tide brings in more oil, making it look as though the hundreds of soldiers working with buckets and spades to clear it away had and spades to clear it away had been doing nothing.

In fact something like 2.300 tonnes of oil have been scraped off the beaches, but that still leaves an estimated 4,000 tonnes at large—double the amount which has already caused so much trouble.

The worst-hit beaches experiencing their third "black time" in 13 years and people who remember the Torrey Conyon in 1967 and the Amoco Cadiz two years ago claim that

is proving the most difficult to of the wreck on the marine and ear. The people along this coastline appear to have come to the cooclusion that they have had enough of bearing the brunt of this too regular form of pollution. Yesterday no farmers came forward to help

The first claims for compensation from oyster batcheries and shellfish firms have started to come in and, even though the beaches should be clear by the holiday season. The tourist scarcely any vocateers avail-able to work with the soldiers. In the words of M René Martin, trade is already receiving some cancellarions.

Just how much the affair will cost in terms of cleaning and compensation will not be known for some time. Much may depend on the success of the British insurers in being able to refloat the forward section of the ship, which sank 35 miles off Roscoff with 11,000 tonness of oil trapped in its tanks. Otherwise the oil will have to be pumped up, an extremely costly process.

The legal argument surrounding the Amoco Cadiz is still

a government expert has been dispatched to lead the work of resuing the birds thought to be dying by the hundred in the thick grease.

established ".

When asked if any date is envisaged, he replied: "After we have seen what support we get from other countries. We shall go shead." The best place would be inside Afghaustan, because setting up a government in Peshawar "might make difficulties for Pakistan"—with the Russians, evidently.

evidently. The Afghan anti-communist groupings started coming to Peshawar just 30 miles from the Pakistani-Afghan frontiar at the Khyber Pass, almost three years ago after the khital Kabul coup. While the Afghan tribesmen sit wretchedly in the refugee camps set up by the Pakistani Government and assisted by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, waiting for the arms with which to go back and fight, their leaders in Peshawar, the

expected to last a further three years, with the 150 French plaintiffs claiming a total of 3,000 million francs damages. Sevent thousand documents have so far been filed, and the tanker company is mounting a the ground that the wreck was

### **Italian Government lays** plans for its own fall

Signor Francesco Cossiga, the Italian Prime Minister, dis-cussed the impending fall of his Government with President Alessandro Pertini and the presidents of the two houses of Parliament today. He outlined to them the timetable for the

He is to make a statement in the Chamber of Deputies as a prelude to a debate in the

Signor Cossiga may draw the

The Cossiga Government, in office since August is Italy's thirty-eighth administration in

While commentators usually say that each government crisis is more serious than the 1835, this time the outlook is really more obscure than ever before, if for no other reason than that the three main parties, the Christian Democrats, Socialists and Communists, are each weakened by internal divisions.

two houses which will make The economic outlook is also clear that his minority Ad threatening. While industrial ministration of Christian Demo-production has benefited from crats, Social Democrats and the effective absence of any Liberals no longer commands government and showed a 7.9 support after the withdrawal by per cent increase (on a 12 the Socialists of their promise months' basis) in January, inflation is bounding ahead and the graits weakening. The cost the Era is weakening. The cost consequences without insisting of living in February this year on a vote of confidence, and already had his resignation to President Pertini last Thursday.

## Bargaining in critical stage over Schild abduction

Negotiations between the British businessman Mr Rolf Schild and kidnappers holding his daughter Annabel have

for some weeks. But the whole thing is being done through intermediaries."

Mr Schild flew to London on Sunday, but refused to com-

was in touch with the Communist International long before he officially joined the party in 1947. This would explain how a

man who had been a voluntary

worker in Germany could rapidly obtain a part of responsibility in the party bierarchy.

This is described as a "faluge of stupidity", by M Roland Leroy, the editor-in-chief of the

Communist newspaper L'Hum-

anite, who claimed vesterday that M Marchuis had gone to

Mescow for the first time in

The Communists are con-

vinced that the revelations by

L'Express are part of an offen-sive to exclude M Marchais

from the presidential contest next year. But they feel they

have already scored roints on

their opponents by their leader's demands for an investi-

gation into the activities of all

politicians during the war: for

a parliamentary committee to

examine the responsibilities of

with the former Emperor Bok-

assa: and for all public figures

to declare their incomes and

ment. Mrs Schild is staying with friends in Sardinia. The British Vice-Consul in Cagliari, Miss Nadine Eskerd-jian, sald yesterday that Mrs Schild was "physically un-harmed but distressed. She certainly was not injured by the kidnappers, but she is obviously very concerned about her daughter. "When I saw her she was living in a different world."

She said Mrs Schild had decided to stay on the island to await her daughter's release. A new aspect was added to the case at the weekend after suggestions by Sardinian police that Annabel Schild may have been "sold" to another gang by ber kidnappers. Yesterday police said they had found 19m lire (£10,000),

part of a ransom paid for an Italian kidnapped last year.

# Paris building

Paris, March 17

No telephone number is listed in the Paris directory for two floors of the building, and the windows on these floors are

shutters. Nobody has yet claimed responsibility for the explosion. However, the Corrican nation alist movement had claimed responsibility for an explosion which damaged the lifts in the north-wing of the Paris Hotel de Ville the previous night.

while tribesmen fight A large freshly painted house on the edge of Peshawar, the sprawing former British Army garrison town, has just

From Richard Wigg

Peshawar, March 17

been taken over by one of the principal Afghan political groups fighting the Soviet-supported regime of Babrak

we have territories", he said, "where we might establish a

capital of Pakistan's North-West Frontier Province, lead the bitter life of intrigue and

unreality typical of emigre

A Maului (an Islamic learned

man) in one of the camps on the road to the Khyber Pass

political groups.

Karmal in Afghanistan.

The move from dingy room Hezb and the Jamiet movedown an alleyway adds prestige to Professor Burhan Rabani, aged 40, the hearded leader of the Islamic fundamentalist Islamic instrumentalist Jamiat movement who seems set to become president of the Islamic Alliance for the Liberation of Afghanistan, an umbrella organization of five anti-communist émigré groups. But it also suggests a certain permanence on the Pakistan side of the frontier. Professor Rabani himself gives a cautious answer when asked whether the alliance is potentially an Afghan Govern-ment in exile; "We have plans,

An Afghan émigré newspaper government—not in exile but on Afghan soil. We are study-ing to see how the security of our government could be established.

> support among the refugees. The latest official figures give just under 500,000 refugees in the North-West Frontier Province; with about 100,000 more in Baluchistan. The North-West

It is already easy to encounter criticism of the Afghan refuenacting their great struggle against the British last century. "Many tribesmen are fighting

very bravely, I am not denying that. But there is another important aspect. The tribesmen who come here with their families have known only mountains, rocks, their villages and sheep; but today is not like last century, suddenly in Pakistan they confront the modern way of life. Pakistan may seem

was frank about his political leaders. "It might be better", he said through an interpreter, "if instead of sitting and drink-ing tea, our leaders would go, and inspire our tribesmen to greater fighting by their presence inside Afghanistan; we would gladly leave these tents behind and go with them to head the tribesmen and sacri-

fice our lives",
There are other critical
voices to be heard among the refugees.
At the last count there were 14 émigré political groups, often

an established movement split-ting off under its own strong-willed leader. The Islamic Alliance groups five of them, but Hezbi Islami led by Mr Gulbuddin Hakmatyar, an engineer who is 34, claims as his adherents 65 per cent of the mojaheddin, the Islamic insurgents fighting inside Afghanis-

ment of Professor Rabani, Mr Hakmaryar told me, were unable to agree on a representation weighted according to estimated support among the guerrillas; this was the chief reason why his group remained outside the alliance. The Hezb leader urged foreign govern-ments not to recognize what he called a "minority organiza-tion", referring to the alliance. An Afghan village school-teacher speaking in one of the camps, blamed the divisions on "the self-interest of the leaders "

editor, who returned a fort-night ago from a visit to his native province west of Kabul, maintained that the main share of the fighting in Afghanistan was done by the tribesmen under local leadership.

Many emigre political leaders, he asserted concentrated too much on recruiting

Prontier Province, particularly its tribal agencies along the Afghanistan borders, is where the tribesmen feel best.

gees, even among educated Pakistanis A Pakistani economist said: "I think the Western media have romanticized the Afghan freedom fighters, re-

poor country to you, but it is like Paris to them."

Sleek Mercedes cars with Afghan number plates amid the bullock carts and traps of the local population in Pesharaz are reminder that not all the refugees are backward tribesmen awaiting their world food programme and United Nations rations. There are enterprising

If the refugees do not go back soon and few Pakistanis I

# Afghan émigré leaders Mr Car haggle over power has nam win in

From David Cross Washington, Marti President Carter another series of ing victories and Edward Kennedy win in Puerto Rich presidential printer With 99 per cent counted, Mr Cartes 52 per cent, comp per cent for the

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lished today.
The public regateven less trustw former President Carter led the lis trusted politicians The survey also re 41 per cent of those thought that Mr Ni:

### Chinese and Asean lea Russians gas attacks From Our Correspondent

From Michael Binyon
Moscow, March 17
The Soviet Union has again
angrily denied that its troops
in Afghanistan have used m Arghanistan nave used poisonous gas in attacks on Muslim tribesmen, and have described Western news agency reports of such an attack on February 22 as "frauds" and "monstrous fabrications".

Today's denial published by Today's denial published by Pravda is one of a number of

sharply worded commentaries recently on the reports, which have stung the Soviet Union.

Pravda said the story was an example of American propa-ganda leaning over backwards to slander the internationalist aid given by the Soviet state to

the Afghan people.

The story's origin among the "Basmachi gang" of Afghan fighters who received weapons from Pakistan through the Khyber Pass was fresh proof of who was accusally supporting who was actually supporting the gangs sowing death in Afghanistan, the newspaper

said. Meanwhile, Soviet correspondents in Kabul today denounced the Japanese deci-Kabul today sion to grant Pakistan \$1.5m (£680,000) and for Afghan refugees. A Tass report des-cribed the refugees as "gangs of mercenaries in Pakistan's territory who are armed and trained by American and Chinese instructors and then sent back into Afghanistan to fight against the Government and people

and people".

Calling the suspension of Japanese aid to Afghanistan high-handed and cynical; Tass said past aid in any case had been mainly promises and projects with little effect on the Afghan economy.

The Afghan Government today announced that all property confiscated from Afghan citizens during the rule of former President, Amin would be

President Amin would be returned. Those who had left Afghanistan and had expressed their opposition to the Government would not get their property back, however.

# amer over Soviet role

Kuala Lumpur, March 17
Mr Huang Hua, Chinese
Foreign Minister, who is in
Singapore on the last leg of a
three-nation tour, declined to
discuss Peking's support for
banned communist movements in countries belonging to the Association of South-East Asian Nations (Asean) and instead concentrated on foreign policy and trade.

But diplomats said tonight that the subject would come up in his talks with Singapore leaders, including Mr Lee-Kuan Yew, the Prime Minister. In the Philippines and Malaysia Mr Huang Hua stuck to

China's views on the Soviet threat to South-East Asia and Western Europe. He also spoke increasing trade with Chins. Although he publicly men withdrawn from both tioned the Soviet threat in countries, neither his Manila. Mr Huang Hua refrained from doing so in Kuala accepted the Chinese

Malaysian understi China's belief th involvement in Afgh-Kampuchea were to of a Soviet claw to Western Europe.
This was why, Mr I was reported to have thought the British for a "neutral" was unworkable. \ needed was to force Union to withdraw from Afghanistan, an its forces from Tengku Datuk Al

said today that the

Minister had press

hauddeen, the Foreign Minister, ins though Asean's and C was to have the forei

### **Indian Marxists campa** against 'authoritarian' i From Kuldip Nayar

Delhi, March 17

India's forthcoming State Assembly elections are to be used as the platform for a serious political struggle against authoritarian trends ", the central committee of the Communist Party (Marxist) decided this weekend. It urged all opposition parties to sort out their "deep differences; and divisions". An electoral understanding and adjustment among opposition parties was desper-stely needed to restrain "authoritarian forces", the committee said. The committee viewed Delhi's

dissolution of nine state assemblies as a part of the drive to establish one-party rule, not only at the centre, but in the states

It should be seen, the party said, as connected with the

leashed against the gov of West Bengal, Ke Tripura states (the have their governments three states).
The Lok Dai party, w
42 MPs in the Lower H
also said in a recent s that it is willing to me toral adjustments wo

tions.
The Januara Party is 5 by dissensions. One seat to oust the members of Sangh group because of with the militant Hindu Swayan Sewak Sangi The more influential wants to wait until the itself decides to ban if Saugh members from ps

ing in the day-to-day act the RSS.
The RSS is scheduled this decision on March 2

# General Zia admits plot happen

Islamabad, March 17.—President Zia ul-Haq acknowledged for the first time today that his Government had crushed a plot against him.

President Zia ul-Haq acknowledged taken place unless there was a foreign hand, he said, without singling out any country.

Retired Major-General Tojmal Hussin Malik was arrested last mask for allegedly engineering.

described reports of an aborted coup on March 11 as "absurd and malicious fabrication".

been broken up and the ringleader arrested.

the conspiracy against the President, who himself seized But President Zia, in response to a local reporter's question on the reports, acknowledged that the plot had power in a military coup in

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law." President Zia changes in his martis

Government.

He relieved four promilitary governous and Cabinet ministers of h commands in the 6th Corps, The move, which would

effect immediately, was menable the governor devote themselves to civikan duties?—UPI "I have the very firm con- mischief of the law. We will Agence France-Press-

# **Print union** fined in Frankfurt

Frankfurt, March 17.—West Germany's printing union was ordered to psy DM58,200 (£14,500) in damages today for preventing The Times from issuing a German-based weekly edition last April. A Frankfurt court made the

award to a local firm which

contracted to print the edition. It said the union should have ensured that demonstrations outside the firm were peaceful. The Times tried to publish in Frankfurt four months after ceasing publication in London. The British unions persuaded German trade unionists to prevent the publication and protest rallies by the IG Druck and Papier Union became

violent when leftist extremists joined in. The court said IG Druck intervened illegally in the dispute and could not plead that it was a normal strike. As organizer of the rallies the union was responsible for seeing they remained peaceful, it said.—Reuter.

### Avalanches kill three skiers in French Alps

Chamonix March 17—Ava-lanches in the French Alps killed one Canadian and two American skiers over the weekend. Alpine police reported

Mr Barry Burt Glass, aged 39, a computer expert from Florida living in Borex. Switzerland, was killed when a huge mass of snow slid over him at Contamines-Montjoie, near St Gervais.

The names of the other two skiers who were killed at l'Aiguille des Drues, near Chamonix, were not known. . Agence France-Presse.

From Charles Hargrove

The enduring controversy about the wartime past of M Georges Marchais, the Communist leader, which started a

fortnight ago by the allegations

in the news magazine L'Express, have provoked the party militants to close ranks around him on a scale that the leadership itself finds surprising.

But, conversely, the Communist attacks continue unabated against the Socialists, in

ted against the Socialists, in general and M François Mit-

terrand, their leader, in par-

least as many skeletons in his cupboard. The Communists accuse the Socialists of being the objective allies of the right

as shown by the disaffection of

munist candidates in local elec-

tions. This was clear from the

representatives to the conseils

contests of the same kind

earlier this year.

Paris, March 17



### **Prague** theatre stars defect

From Sue Masterman Vienna, March 17 Two prominent members of the world-famous Black Theatre of Prague have defected to the West. While the company was preparing for its last perfor-mance in the Austrian city of Linz at the end of a six-month Czechoslovakia, Peter and Milada Kratochvil applied for political asylum in Vienna,

"We are staying in Austria

because we want to live a life which suits us and in which we can develop as artists", Mr Kratochvil said. Mr Kratochvil, who is 29 and an actor and producer, plans to found together with his wife,

aged 24, a new ensemble, called Theatre from Prague, which will tour the world with a pro-gramme of music and panto-

of the left, the switch in votes for him thatwent to the Social-

ist candidate in the first ballet

is much less satisfactory than the other way round. This was

the defection of part of the

Altogether the Socialists wen three of the five seats which were filled yesterday, compared

with two they held before, while

two they had obtained in 1979.

ist advance is about as large as that of the Communist setback.

Next Sunday, the Socialists are

two seets balleted for the second time in Rheims, where

Mr Paul Quiles, the Socialist

policy of "holding firmly to the

line it had set itself, and of

In fact, the size of the Social-

Socialist electorate.

ticular-accused of having at the Communists lost one of the

left-wing voters for the Com- certain of winning one of the

took place yesterday to return 1976 by a substantial majority.

géneraux or departmental national secretary, said the re-assemblies, as it was in previous suits showed that his party's

When, in the second ballot, being itself in its reflexion, pro-

cantonal contests which the Communists had won in

Militants close ranks around M Marchais

a Communist carries the colours positions, and actions, as well

especially true at Gagny, north strongly attached to the unity of Paris, where the Communist of the left."

The Communist countervalidated, was defeated by a offensive over the Marchais Gaullist candidate, because of affair has gone into high gear.

mime. They already have an

The Kratochvils' application for asylum will automatically

fects all forms of artistic life in Czechoslovakia.

been recently banned.

as its Popular Frant strategy had borne fruit. "The negative attitude of the Communist leadership is clearly condemned

hy its voters who remain

after some preliminary hesita-tion about the most effective tactics. Hitherto they branded as a fake the document purport-

ing to prove that the Com-

munist leader had been a volun-

tary worker in Germany during

the war, and not compulsorily

requisitioned (as he always claimed) and that he had stayed

there much longer than he

claimed. Now the Communists

argue that the document proves nothing either way, and that to go to work in Germany does

not convice one of collaboration

with the enemy. This standpoint

is shared by non-Communist

commentators.

The suggestion is made in the

latest issue of the independent

left-wing magazine Le Nouncl

Observateur that M Marchais assets.

offer from an American theatre. The couple, who are too young to be affected by the restrictions put on individual artists who were active during the Prague Spring of 1968, say that they are tired of the all pervading censorship which af

"It's like being in Austria Mozart", Mr Kratochvil says. He wants to make a film about the way in which The White Sickness, a Czech classic, has

However, the Kratochvils do not believe that the present harsh censorship means that creativity is doomed in Czecho-slovakia. Repression gives rise to a new kind of concentration and a now kind of creative-noss. Mr Kratochvil believes. "But it means that what you think and write gets no further than the drawer of the desk. That's our problem".

reached a critical stage. In London yesterday Mr Schild's solicitor, Mr Montague Samuels, said: "Communica-tions are continuing—they have never broken down. They are at a critical stage, and have been

The Schild family was kid-napped in Sardinia last August. Mr Schild was soon released and his wife Daphne was set free eight weeks ozo, after ran-som was paid. News of her release was given at the weck-end by the Pope, who appealed to the kidnappers to free Anna-bel, aged 15, a deaf mure.

# Bomb damages unlisted

From Our Own Correspondent A building believed to house one of the offices of the DST, the French counter-espionage unit, was damaged on Saturday night by a bomb.

kept permanently closed with

Blast victims sought

Almeria, March 17.-Firemen were searching for five people feared killed today when a twostorey building collapsed after an explosion in an adjoining chemist's shop in this southern Spanish town.

# Aid agency gives faming on Kampucher

rne, March 17 spute in the Australian idustry now in its renth s likely to provide the test the Government of

alcolm Praser has en-

now, the Government involved itself in the but a solution seems no and now is grave enough uire Government inter-

the Government like to have export congulations which would e whole wool industry action for the moment weeks ago 1-800 wool m, members of the en and Packers' Union, strike over a pay They wanted an increase ween \$A12 and \$A16 d £8) a week but the tion Commission granted aly a flat \$A8.

then there have been

confrontations and nees between the union. uyers and the Arbitra-ommission, but nothing en resolved.

dispute is certainly enough to watrant enough to watrant ment concern. It has wool exports worth ASOOm, caused considerardship to wool growers aconvenienced valuable rtheless, if the storemen

ranted their demands it r that the authority of rbritration Commission suffer enormously. It is

also possible that the Government's wage indexation guide-lines would be thrown into confusion and that the gates would be opened to further claims, thus weakening the small achievements of the Govern-

ment's anti-inflation strategy. The Government has been under strong pressure from wool growers to take action. At one stage the Farmers' Federation accused the Government of being "spineless and timid" being "spineless and timid" and since then tension between dy Mr Douglas Anthony, all sides, including the Govern-outy Prime Minister, has ment's, seems to have intensi-

Any strong Government action could lead to an angry and damaging response from the Storemen and Packers' Union, though Mr Simon Crean, its secretary, has constantly asserted his desire to bring the strike to an end. In reply to Mr. Anthony's threat to try to close down the wool industry, Mr Crean said: "Such threats will make no difference to the union's position. We will be working towards a settlement".

But he said that threats of the action could have discorded. tough action could have elicited en adverse reaction from the

trade unionists.

For his part Mr Anthony has not elaborated on whether the Government will try to use controls over the wool industry. although the Government agreed last week with wool growers that it would use its export con-trol powers to prevent wool

leaving the country.

This would be aimed at preventing non-striking members of the Storemen and Packers' Union from financing their colleagues who are on strike.

# int of Husain option peace with Israel

Aoshe Brilliant v. March 17

himon Peres, the Labour candidate to head the Israel Government, ced today he had "rea-believe" King Husain of was keeping an open to negotiate peace with contrary to his public

in't go into details ", he press conference, "but my impression and I hange it even if there morrow a thousand

i if he was in contact-ing Husain, Mr Peres from the reporter withwering and faced a tele-rew. "I'd rather look at tera than hear the ques-

Begin Government's lan, as expressed in the avid accords with Pre-Sadar, envisages bring-

dan into the peace pro-ce years after the Pales-in the West Bank get to join Israel, Egypt.

to start discussions on

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operating in Surinam,
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of the tiny former
Colony in South America
n on February 25 a small

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them to form a made seized control of the r's army barracks police and airlields. They ewildered to find them-left with absolute power the country's 350,000

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frica church

Arcon had fled and his
Mr. Olton van Genthe Interior Minister

Labour Party leader met ess today as prospects

brightened for his early rise to power. The latest public opinion poll showed the Labour the Labour alignment would win 62 of the 120 seats in the Knesser.

Government supporters in Parliament, including members of the Cabinet, have talked in private about dissolving Parliament and holding new elections this year.

Mr Peres said he was in touch with disenchanted Government supporters. Noting that the coalition's strength in Parliament had abrunk from 78 to 65 over the years due to defections, he said: "If five or six more members shift their position, Parliament will have no choice but elections. There are more than five or six who are considering

this very seriously." Carrington assurance: An assurance that there has been no change in British policy on the Middle East was given by Lord - Carrington yesterday, when he met leaders of the Jewish community in Britain (our Diplomatic Correspondent writes).

The delegation called on the Foreign Secretary to express concern at an apparent shift in British policy and a move towards recognition of the Palestine Liberation Organ

The military secured im-

mediate popular support by taking such measures as order-

taking such measures as ordering civil servants to be at their desks from 7 am until 2 pm—a form of discipline that was unknown in this country's sluggish and corrupt bureaucracy. The decree had immediate effect: at several Government

ment offices there were not

enough desks and chairs to

accommodate public officials who turned up after an absence

was rurned up arter an absence of months, if not years.

But the military soon discovered that widespread public support is not enough to rule a country shoot totally dependent on imports and saved from financial print and he large

financial ruin only by large injections of Dutch aid. The officers therefore decided

to share their power with civi-lians willing to embrace their ideology, called "Surinamism"

litary keeps role of overseer after coup by group of soldiers

vil government quickly returns in Surinam

# gives famine Kampuchea

By Roger Berthoud

Kampuchea faces another potentially catastrophic food shortage unless international nid is maintained, Mr Ian Hopwood, deputy head of Unicel's emergency relief operations in Pnomb Penh since October, said in London yesterday.

The peak of the food shortage was from July to September last year, he said. Food began to get through in substantial quantities in October, though there were distribution problems. There was a small harvest towards the end of the year. hen the situation was improv-

By thea, however, it was clear how serious damage to agricul-ture had been, and how inade-ouate would be the six month food aid programme. Owing to drought, the next harvest was expected to be poor, and in some provinces granaries would be empty in a few weeks, so dependence there on outside aid would be total.

The last six-month aid pro-gramme, drawn up on behalf of all United Nations agencies and the International Red Cross. had resulted in contributions of about \$210m (199m), of which S191m had been spent. A new programme had been drawn up, and a further \$262m would be required to the end of the year. Like the first programme, this covered operations on the Thai border and for refugees

in Thailand as well as aid in Kamouchea itself, "Given a miracle, we will get it. But it will require a mir-scle", Mr Hopwood said. The main thrust was on

survival and on increasing local food production. The Pnomh Coverament was trying to recreate every aspect of life like, for example, the school system. Of an estimated 15,000 to 20,000 school teachers, only about 4,000 had been traced. Virtually all records and libraries having disappeared.

In each government ministry, said Mr Hopwood, there tended to be three groups: the politi-cal decision makers, who were the revolutionaries, with their Vlemamese advisers; the battered remains of the old Pnomh Penn elite, who had suffered enormously; and former stu-dents who had been brought back to be the backbone of the

future of Kampuchea. There had been some revival of social life. The birth rate was rising, and, although many babies were underweight, mortality rates were lower than

Allegations about the diversion of food to soldiers had been investigated. But we have encountered nothing on any significant stale to sub-stantiate these allegations", said Mr Hopwood said.

### Duke begins his tour of Kenya

today on a four-day official visit. In his capacity as Grand Prior of the Most Venerable Order of St. John of Jerusalem, he is to invest President Moi as a Knight of Grace of the Order of St. John

respected "as much tion of Creole, Hindustani, His task was to find 13 hones

Faced with the necessity to

set up some sort of civil govern-

put their nationalist ideals into practice, the soldiers turned for help to Mr Eddie Bruma, a politician who is the undisputed

It was a logical choice because Mr Bruma had defended three members of the new military

council at their court martial

on charges of sedition before the coup. But it was not a

popular choice—certainly not in Holland where 150,000 Surinam

immigrants had initially wel-

Mr Brums was thought to be too much associated with the old regime—he had served an unhappy term as Economics

Minister in the mid-1970s during

the independence process. When

Cabinet, many Surinamese were

Mr Bruma ignored all criti-cism and quietly went to work.

asponned that Mr would form the new

nationalist leader.

comed the coup.

astonished.



Ready for hand-over : Lord Carrington, the Foreign Secretary, meeting Lord Soames (right), the Governor of

stage of the hand-over of power in an independent Zimbabwe, including the question of economic aid. Britain is Southern Rhodesia, at the Foreign ready to help the country both directly Office yesterday to discuss the final and in mobilizing international assist-

ance. Decisions on longer term capital

aid will be taken after Mr Robert Mugabe's government has drawn up its programme. An aid mission will go to Salisbury in April, after independence.

## Rhodesia sets free most martial law detainees

From Nichalas Ashlord

Salisbury, March 17 All but one of the detainees being beld under Southern Rhodesia's emergency powers now have been released. British sources said today, and it is ex-pected that martial law will be lifted over the next few days. When Britain took over the administration of the country in December there were more than 5,000 martial law detainees.

just prior to last mouth's election. Among those released in the last week were more than 500 auxiliaries layal to the Reverend Ndabaningi Sithole's wing of Zanu. The remaining detainee, who is being held in Gatooma, is to be charged with a common

This was reduced to about 1,300

law offence. There remain several hundred people in Rhodesian prisons who were convicted of offences under martial law regulations. No decision on their future has yet been taken.

However, it is expected they will be transferred into civil custody once martial law has been lifted, and those who are found guilty of offences that fall within the ambit of the amnesty arising from the amnesty arising from the Lancaster House agreement will

be set free. British sources also said that

Cancellation of

appears unlikely

Tehran, March 17.-Charges

and counter-charges of elec-

toral fraud flew thick and fast

today but appeared unlikely to

cause the cancellation of the

first round of Iran's parliamen-tary poll. With more than half the results declared, the fun-

damentalist Islamic Republican

Party held its leading position.

President Bani-Sadr has called for an investigation of complaints that widespread cheating had taken place.

ministers who had not been active in politics before, it took

him two weeks—mainly because both the military council and Dr Josban Ferrier, the Surinam

President, insisted on having a

The military council had wisely left the President in

head of state could lead the

recognition.

But Dr Ferrier surprised everyone by taking—for the first time in his life—an active interest in the formation of the

civil government. Veroing some candidates put forward by Mr Bruma and the council.

Last Saturday agreement was finally reached and Mr Bruma was able to present his Cabinet and announce his own resigna-

Surinam's new Cabinet con

sists of doctors, engineers and lawyers. Some of them are known to have left-of-centre or

none has been acrive in politics.

tion from public office.

nationalist sympathies,

so that the respected

Iran poli

last remaining detaineds and the imminent lifting of martial law was taken by Lord Soames, the Governor, (at present on a brief visit to London) in consultation with Mr Robert Mugabe, the Prime Minister designate. Martial law was progressively

several hundred detainees being

held under the 30-day order in terms of the emergency powers

regulations were also in the process of being set tree. Three of these detainers, how-

ever, are to appear in court

The decision on releasing the

during the next few days.

introduced during the last two years as the guerrilla war spread across the country. By late last year around 90 per cent of the country was under martial law, which gave the security forces powers to take whatever steps they considered necessary to suppress ter-

Under the regulations a dusk-to-dawn curfew was imposed almost everywhere, but this has been abandoned in many parts of the country. The release of the detainees and the planned lifting of martial law are further indico-

tions that the country is rapidly returning to normality after seven years of escalating

There was a substantial drop in the level of violence after the ceasefire came into effect at the beginning of January. This has been further reduced since Mr Mugabe's landslide election

Since the election results were announced there has been a big increase in the number of surrenders by Patriotic Front guerrilles who had failed to gather at assembly points dur-ing the ceasefire period.

More than 2,000 guerrillas have reported to assembly points during the past fortnight bringing the total new assembled to about 24,700. About 1,700 came out of the bush during the past three days.

There are believed to be about 3,000 of Mr Mugabe's guerrillas and several hundred of Mr Joshua Nkomo's forces still at large.
There are also about 6,000

trained Zipra troops loyal to Mr Nkomo based in Zembia whose future is likely to cause considerable problems for the incoming government. A spokesman for the Depart-

ment of Justice described today as a "gross exaggeration" an assertion by Mr Kenneth McIntosh, the sonctions spy who was released from prison last week, that more than 300 people

had been secretly banged since 1974. He added that it was not the Department's policy to release information on the names or numbers of people executed. A Government House spakes-man said that the British Administration had neither asked for nor been given any

information about executions that had taken place before Lord Soomes's arrival last De-It was up to the incoming

administration to make such inquiries if it so wished. There had been no executions since the territory came under British rule and the Governor com-muted the sentences on 11 people who had been sentenced to death. Meanwhile. nominations

closed today for elections to the new Senate. Among candidates put forward by the majority Zanu (PF) Party were one European, Mr Denis Norman, Minister of Agriculture-desig-nate, and one member of Mr Nkomo's Patriotic Front Party. The Patriotic Front put up a separate list of eight candidates, including one Coloured (mixed race) person.

The election of 14 members of the Senate by the 80 black MPs in the new Parliament will take place on Wednesday.

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### Tanzanian troops clash with **Ugandans**

Kampala, March 17 .- Tanzanslum area on the outskirts of Kampala to search for the killers of five civilians and one Tanzanian policeman, Ugandan Government sources said

Later heavy gunfire in the Kibule suburb was heard for more than three hours. Unconfirmed reports said that five more civilians were killed after the soldiers had been fired on by Ugandans.

The Government sources said it was not clear how the civilians and the policeman were killed last night. The suburb is known for its unlicensed bars. Other reports alleged that the Tanzanian was killed after be-ing caught stealing a car.

A witness said that bus loads of Tenzanian troops arrived in number of houses. Some houses vere left in flames after grenades had been thrown into

In another incident on Saturday, a Ugandan was shot in the neck and a Ugandan traffic policeman beaten by a group of Tanzanians in the Karwe area.
The police who went to the

About 20,000 Tanzanian roops remain in Uganda after the war last year threw President which over-Idi Amin. There have been reports of them and lashes between Ugandan civilians

Ugandan Government sources said last week that Precident Nyerere of Tanzania was bastening the withdrawal of the troops after accusing Ugandan leaders of failing to give them political support.

The newspaper Taifa Empya (New Nation) said today that Mr William Lubwama, the owner of the independent vernewspaper Shield) was murdered last Saturday

It said that Mr Lubwama and a friend Mr Gaster Nsubuga were called out of a football club meeting in Kampala by two armed men in uniform and one in civilian clothes. They were taken outside the city and shot. Mr Lubwama died instantly and Mr Nsubuga was in a critical condition in hospiral with chest and throat wounds, Taifa Empya said.

The two men's cars were stolen but their friends did not believe that robbery was the motive of the attack.—Reuter, AP and Agency France-Presse.

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Melbourne, March 17 Though Mr Michael Somare seemed stunned by his defeat in a no-confidence vote in Papua New Guinea's parliament last week for most observers the result of the vote came as

no surprise. Ever since Mr Somere took over as Papua New Guinea's first Prime Minister when independence was granted in 1975, his premiership has been tenuthishop Burnett's protest ous and at times erratic, nificant because he has although he has shown himself y refrained since his to be remarkably gifted, articulated from becoming late and moderate during

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His defeat follows several

constitutional upheavals of last year, during which five Supreme Court judges resigned after Mr

oned for contempt of court. There have been several unsettling incidents since not the least of which was when Mr Somare declared to the inter-

One of his greatest problems, which contributed strongly to the circumstances that evenrually brought him down, was

In the highlands last year there was fighting when tribesmen refused to abandon their an Australian who is the former public prosecutor of Papua New Guinea, said that under

comes from a wealthy Papua New Guinea family who now has proved that his Asian ancestry will not, as his detraccontended, prevent him

sympathetic to foreign invest ment. He has promised to try to reduce economic depend ence on Australia and to review the present neutral foreign



-a enphemism for nationalism.
The military stated that it intended to break down the racial barriers that have divided. Statinam, with its mixed popula-Papua moderate takes power

Somare released fom jail his Justice Minister, Mr Nabau Rooney, who had been imprisnational press: " Jesus, I'm not a Christian", which is helieved to have lost him considerable

> Unemployment reached dis-astrous levels, and Port Moresby has slowly turned into a

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centre of crime, rioting and settling disputes. By July,

At one stage angry citizen marched on Parliament. Last January Mr Kevin Egan

Mr Somare the country was turning into an unstable oligarchy, ripe for a military coup or flirtation with Communist countries. The new Prime Minister

from achieving the leadership. He entered Parliament in 1968 after several successful business ventures and achievements in the public service bad gained him a reputation for "getting things done". Sir Julius, aged 43, is regarded as a moderate and as

# Envoy jumps to safety from occupied embassy in Colombia

second-floor window of the occupied Dominican Embassy here early today to get away from terrorists who have been holding him and at least 29 other people hostage since February 27, a military spokes-

Señor Gomez lowered himself from the window on a rope made out of bedsheets, which broke before he reached the

The Ambassador is un-injured, without any fractures and only a few bruises because the rope of sheets that he used the rope of sheets that he used to come down from the second floor broke and he had to jump to the exterior garden of the embassy", Señora Marta Montoya, the press secretary of President Turbay Ayala, said. Señora Montoyo added "There were three shots from the embassy, but none of them hit him". She denied reports from reporters at the scene that

from reporters at the scene that a soldier fired at the ambassa-dor, thinking he was one of the

terrorists.
"The troops have instructions not to shoot when anyone leaves the embassy", she said. Señor Gomez crawled under

Bogota, March 17.—Sener porters who had been standing Fernando Gomez Fyns, the guard outside the embassy, Uruguayan Ambassador to Colabout a block away and round ombia, escaped through a corner from the cul-de-sac a corner from the cul-de-sac which leads to the embassy building, the newspaper El Espectador said. About 100 military policement drew their arms and ran to the walls of buildings at the head of the cul-de-sac.

Señor Gomez's escape réducad the number of ambassadors of charges d'affaires in the embassy to 13.

Later in the day the terrorists said that one of their hos-tages, Senor Virgilio Lovera, aged 63, the Venezuelan Ambas-sador, had suffered a heart attack and needed the immediate attention of a coronary specialist. The Mexican Ambas-sador, also held hostage, shoured to Army officers outside the embassy to send the specialist who has visited Senor Loversa twice in the past week. Negotiations between the Government and the rerrorists remain suspended.

A Colombian Government spokesman said: "The Government will not take the initiative in looking for the continuation of the talks." The terrorists suspended negotiations last Thursday.

Señor Gomez crawled under one of the cars parked in front of the embassy and shouted his name to the military police. They picked him up and drove him to a military hospital.

There was a great deal of confusion after the jump among the military police and re-The terrorists of the April 19 Movement, or M-19 as the organization is known, contend

### Hospital death form signed while husband still alive

Las Vegas, March 17

The widow of a 51-year-old man who died in the intensive care unit of the Suorise Hospital in Las Vegas says she was asked to sign a hospital death release form by a nurse who told her: "Your husband is expected to die within the next few hours".

Mrs Bertha Fraser, whose husband Vincent was in critical condition as a result of eavers

condition as a result of severe internal bleeding, said she signed the form without thinking late on the evening of March 2. At 7.40 the next morning her husband, who was being kept alive on life-sustaining equipment, died of what the oroner later determined to be liver infection.

The Las Vegas District Attorney today said that the Fraser case was one of a half dozen deaths in the past few weeks that are being investigated following last Friday's allegations macabre scheme involving an intensive care nurse and other staff who are reported to have placed bets on what time patients in their care would die.

support equipment.
So far more than six hospital employees have been suspended In a front page story the Las Vegas Sun quoted Mr Fraser's widow as recalling: "When one of the nurses asked me to sign the form I thought it was kind of weird. I wasn't paying attention to what I was signing. The nurse got it out of a drawer and said: "Why don't you sign it now so you won't have to come back tomorrow?" I had made

arrangements with a local mor-tuary ahead of time". The deputy coroner for Clark County said the death release was a standard form that next of kin are asked to sign. He admirted it was unusual for relatives to sign the form before a parient's death.

Mrs Fraser said her late hus-band received good care in the hospital after being admitted on January 22. She said he had liver and spleen injuries received in an attack eight years ago and it resulted in recurring stomach cramps.

Over the weekend, the auth

orities seemed to be disregard-ing the "betting on death" allegations but believed they One unidentified nurse called allegations but believed they "the angel of death" was supmay be looking into a series of posed to have engineered the mercy killings.

### Claim of £1.35m | Shooting at over death of racing driver

From Our Correspondent
Johannesburg, March 17
The widow of Mr Tom
Pryce, the Welsh motor racing
driver who was killed in the
South African Grand Prix in
1977, is claiming 2.4m rand
(£1.35m) in damages from the organizers of the race.
Mr Francis Tucker, chairman

of the South African Motor Racing Club, confirmed that Mrs Nulla Pryce has started a lawsuit, He said: "It is mainly in the bands of our insurers to Mr Pryce died when his Shadow car struck and killed a marshal at 170 mph during the

It is believed that Mr Pryce was struck on the head by a heavy metal fire extinguisher being carried by the marshal. He had been married for two years and had no children.

# university in San Salvador

San Salvador, March 17 .-Security forces fought a threehour gun fight today with leftist militants occupying Salvador's national university in the capital. Police said they had no immediate word of casualties.

About 20,000 teachers, meanwhile, went on strike to protest against alleged Government repression, and a bomb exploded at the Agriculture Ministry in San Salvador, causing minor damage, but no casualties.

Violence was said to have spread across the country today with up to 45 people being reported killed in clashes.—

### High award for Gurkha who subdued eight men

Lance Corporal Aimansing Limbu, aged 29, becomes the first member of the Brigade of Gurkhas to be awarded the Queen's Gallantry Medal when he goes to Buckingham Palace

He is with the 7th Duke of Edinburgh's Own Gurkha Rifles and was on patrol when he was attacked by eight illegal immigrants trying to slip into Hongkong territory under cover of darkness from China.

"I was leading a four-man patrol when I spotted a raft about 100 yards off shore", he

said.
"At the same time I noticed a man coming out of the sea so I left the patrol watching the raft and went after him. I caught up with him and tried to put handcuffs on him."

It was then that he found he had blundered into an ambush. For as he tackled the man two others leapt on him from behind a rock, clubbed him to the ground and escaped into

Lance Corporal Aimansing Limbu recovered his senses and pursued them in a rubber ring that one of them had dropped.

When I caught them near the raft two of the men tried to drown me by pushing my head under water but I fought them off and tried to climb

aboard.

"The six men on the raft all attacked me. They were kicking, biting and punching me. This made me very angry", he is staying until he goes back to Hongborg.



Aimansing Limbu shows fists that carned him a medal.

Single-handed he took them all prisoner, pulled the other two on board and ordered them to paddle to the shore. don't speak much Chinese but I made them understand. Nobody

The citation that goes with the award says he displayed inot only a very high degree of personal courage in the face of danger both from drowning and the vicious assaults of eight desperate men but he also acted promptly and with complete disregard for his own safety." Tucker is among 20 new Lions for South Africa

Peter West played for their country in this year's championship or been a member of their national parpies. So the selectors have resisted any layers named yesterday to tour temptation to choose then like players named yesterday to tour South Africa this summer under the leadership of England's captain, Bill Beaumont, will be sharing a new experience, although all of them have played for their countries. This represents a big turnover since the last Lious expedition, to New Zealand in 1977, but eight of the remaining 10 will be at forward. Twelve of the party are Welsh and eight are English, with the remaining 10 places being shared by Irishmen and Scots. In the 1977 party to New Zealand there were 16 from Wales, 6 from England, 5 from Scotland and 2 from Ireland.

Hardly a Llous side is autounced without there being a surprise selection and in this case it must be that of Colm Tucker, an Irish tenter when leaver the tester of the second tester the last of th players named yesterday to tour be that of Colm Tucker, an Irish flanker who played twice for his country last season and this year, won a third cap as a replacement in Paris. Less surprising is the choice of the Scottish fullback, Andy Irvine, as a wing three-quarter (a position he adorted in two internationals on the last four two internationals on the last tour to South Africa in 1974).

At full back the selectors have plumped for Bruce Hay (Scotland) and Rodney O'Donnell (Ireland), who should provide the courage and security they are looking for. This is bad news for Alastair Hignell, who would have had extra qualities to offer. All 30 members of the side have

So the selectors have resisted any temporation: to choose then like Michael Gibbon; the Irish No 3, and Gordon Brown, a Scottish lock who has made three Lions tours. Both men might figure among the reserves, who will not be named for a while.

It took the selectors about five hours to choose their side and there must have been prolonged debate about the blend at loose

there must have been prolonged debate about the blend at loose forward, since four frontrumers—Fergus Siantery (Ireland). Tony Neary and Roger Utiley (England) and Paul Ringer (Wales)—were not available. Ringer was rufed out, so the manager, Syd Millar, said, not surprisingly because he was under suspension after being sent off at Twickenham.

John Beattle, a dashing young Scot, has secured one of the No 3 positions; the other goes to Derek Quinnell, who has not played for Wales in the 1980 championship but has been chosen for what the

but has been chosen for what the Irish manager describes as "his own particular contribution". That includes much experience, That includes much experience, physical presence and versatility. Outniell, along with Irvine and Fran Cotton, the English loosehead prop, will be making a third Lions tour. His first was to New Zealand in 1971.

The choice of Jeff Squire (Wales) and John O'Driscoli (Ireland) as blindside flankers was expected, and so was that of Stuart Lane, of Wales, on the other.

Dong Prentice in 1939. He, Maurice Colclough, and Allah Martin, of Wales, were mandatory selections at lock. The fourth player for that position is Alan Tomes, a Scot, whose performance in the Calcutta cup match capped his season and gained him preference over the luckless Wheel, who was chosen for the Liops in 1977 but was then withdrawn for medibut was then withdrawn for medi-cal reasons.

If one assumes that the select-

ors wrote down Graham Price (Wales), Peter Wheeler (England) and Fran Colton (England) as a and Fran Cotton (England) as a prospective front row for the inceruationals, it would not have been difficult to add Philip Blakeway (England) as the second righthead prop and the mobile Alan Philips (Wales) as, the number two hooker. But Clive Williams (Wales) may have taken the other loosehead position from Philip Orr (Ireland) by the narrowest margin.

There can have been no problems at half-back where the Welsh

Tucker, who was in the Munster and Irish pairs Terry Holmes and side that head the Alit Blacks in Gareth Davies, and Colin Patter son, and Dilver ("Olife") Campto the job and, all in all; the tour solectors should have as flexible presence in the side of Campbell, a combination as circumstances have allowed: Beattle might make a flanker; Quinnell, can play on the blindside or at lock; Squire than O'Driscoll are familiar with No 8: Tacker prefers the blinder and O'Driscoll are familiar with No 8: Tacker prefers the blinder and O'Driscoll are familiar with No 8: Tacker prefers the blinder of the other.

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Beaumout is the first English of the places at centre-seemed assured for David Richards (Wales). Jim Renwick (Scotland) and Clive Woodward (England). The fourth goes to kay Gravel, The fourth goes to Ray Gravell, who has won 17 caps for Wales but none of them this season. It but none of them this season. It was always thought that the selectors wanted a big "banger" in the middle, where Springbok teams tend to be substantially represented.

There was never a doubt, I fancy that one of the wings

There was never a doubt, I fancy, that one of the wings would be Mike Slemen. The third place has gone to an Englishman, too, and John Carleton must rightly have clinched it by his all-round game at Murrayfield The management have asked all players not involved in cup competitions to take a rest from the Wednesday after Easter. Those who wish to play for the Barbarians on their Easter tour of Weles will be free to do so. The Lions will assemble on May 2 and fly out the following day for a tour lasting until the middle



Tucker : Ireland's

### Full list and career details of British Isles party for South Africa

Full backs 3. H. Hay (Boroughmuir and Scotland): aged 29, 5ft 10in, 13st Scotland): aged 29, 5ft 10in, 13st 7th, Commercial representative. His second British Lions tour, having gone to New Zealand in 1977. Has won 17 caps for his country, five as a full back and the rest on the wing. He made his first international appearance in New Zealand on Scotland's short tour in 1975 and broke an arm after, only 12 minutes.

R. O'Donnell (St Mary's College and Ireland): aged 23, 5ft 10in, 13st 2lb. Sales representative. Won his fifth cap against Wales on Saturday and made his mark with a couple of sterling defensive displays on Ireland's victorious tour of Australia last summer.

Utility back

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P. Morgan (Lianelli and Wales):
aged 21, 5ft 10in, 12st. Sales representative. Two caps. A gifted
young player who is at home anywhere in the back division. He
represented Wales Youth and
Wales B at centre and stand-off;
if an expert service some balf. water is at centre and stand-off; is an expert sevens scrum balf; won his first cap as a replacement at centre against Scotland this season; played at stand-off against Ireland in Dublin and can also play full back.

J. Carieton (Orrell and England): aged 24, 5ft 10in, 13st. Teacher. Product of the England under-23 rrouter of the England under-25 ream. First senior international cap against the Al! Blacks last November, May have to give up his job to make the trip. Scored three tries on Saturday against Scotland.

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A. R. Irvine (Heriot's FP and Scotiand): aged 28, 5ft 10in, 12st 10ib. 37 caps. Scotland's most capped full back and record points scorer. His third Lions tour. In South Africa in 1974

in New Zealand in 1977. Fast clusive attacker but can be uncertain in defence.

M. A. C. Slemen (Liverpool and England): aged 25, 6ft iin. 12st. Teacher. Has not missed an England international since his first appearance, against Ireland in 1976; has now won 20 successive ceps, but is a new Lion, Excellent attacker who defends with equal skill.

Centres Wales): aged 28, 5ft 11in, 13st. Sales representative: 18 caps. first against France in 1975 and was an automatic choice for Wales until the last couple of seasons. Lost his place to David Richards but will be

J. M. Renwick (Hawick and Scot-land): aged 28, 5ft 8in. 35 caps. First came into the Scottish side in 1972 and toured New Zealand with Scotland in 1975, Prolific try scorer and goal kicker for his club. Not selected for the 1977 Lions. D. S. Richards (Swansea and D. S. Richards (Swansea and Wales): aged 25. 5ft 9in. 11st 10lb. Another versatile Weishman. A brilliant runner and is certain to be one of the most exciting Lions backs. Used by Wales mainly as a centre, he toured Australia with the national side in 1978, and has won five caps.

C. R. Woodward (Leicester and England): aged 24, 5ft 11in. 12st 7lb. Sales representative. Four

71b. Sales representative. Four caps. First played for England as a replacement against Ireland this season and stayed in the side which completed the grand slam. Out-standing performance in the final march against Scotland.

Stand-off, halves, S. O. Campbell (Old Belvedere and Ireland): aged 26, 5ft 10-in. 12st.

played in two internationals on the wing and scored 156 points Achieved a record in his first full on tour. All four internationals season in international rugby with in New Zealand in 1977. Fast a new five nations best of 46 points clusive attacker but can be uncer-

W. G. Davies (Cardiff and Wales): aged 23. Sfr 9ln, 11st 7lb. In a class of his own as a tactical kicker. First capped for Wales on their Australian tour of 1978, Davies has since formed a formidable half-hack premarily with able half-back partnamely with Terry Holmes.

Scrum halves

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T. D. Holmes (Cardiff and Wales):
aged 23, 6ft lin, 13st 2lb. 10 caps.
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Wales' scrum half. His strength as
a runner makes him a fourth back
row forward and he scored four
tries in his first nine interhationals.
First appeared for Wales on their
Australian tour of 1978 when he
formed regular international partnership with his club colleague

England in 1975.

C. Williams (Swanses and Wales):
aged 31, 6ft 15st 8lb. Six caps.
Plasterer. Replaced Faulkner for
Wales against England at Cardiff
in 1977. Went on to play against
Scotland before being chosen to
true New Zealand with the Lions.
Suffered a severe knee injury
which needed surgery and missed
the 1977-78 stason. Succeeded Garein Edwards as Wales' scrum half. His strength as a runner makes him a fourth back row forward and he scored four tres in his first nine interbationals. First appeared for Wales on their Australian tour of 1978 when he formed regular international partnership with his club colleague Caracti Pavise. Gareth Davies.

C. S. Patterson (Instonians and Ireland): aged 25, 5ft 5in, 11st. Soli-citor. 11 caps. Former captain of the English universities. Has scored five tries in his first seven inter-

Props

F. E. Cotton (Sale and England):
aged 32, 6ft Zin, 16st 7lb. Lecturer.
Tight or loose head prop. England's senior prop with 30 caps,
an English record. He toured South
Africa with the Lions in 1974
where he played in all four tests
and then want to New Zealand with
the 1977 Lions. After missing the
whole of the 1979 season through
injury he returned to fitness to
play a major part in England's
grand stam. grand slam.

G. Price (Portypool and Wales): aged 28, 5ft 11in, 15st 2lb. 29 caps (in a row). Civil engineer, one of the best tight head props in the world. First capped against France

P. J. Blakeway (Gloucester and England) aged 29, 5ft 10in, 16st 7ib. Four caps. Wholesale grocer, Has made a remarkable comeback after breaking a bone in his neck two years ago. A former under-23 player who toured Australia with England in 1975.

Hookers

A. J. Phillips (Cardiff and Wales): aged 24. 5ft 11in, 14st 4lb. Five cape. Works in family cleaning business. A former Wales B hooker, now limity established as first choice. Toured South Africa rwice last year, with his club and as a guest for Surrey. Mobile in the loose, a strong challenger for an international place.

P. J. Wheeler (Leicester and England): aged 31. 5ft 11in, 13st 10tb.

P. J. Wheeler (Leicester and England): aged 31; 5ft 11in, 13st 10th Insurance broker. 24 caps: Captain of England's champion club, Leicester, and his county's first choice hooker since 1976. Played for the Lions in three of the four internationals against New Zealand in 1977. Locks

W. B. Besumont (Fylde and England): captain, aged 28, 6ft 3in, 16st, Textile manager, 26 caps, Since William Elackledge Besumont was flown out to New Zealand as a Lions replacement

in 1975 he achieved the musual in 1977, his career has flourished. distinction for a prop of kering Began that rour as sixth choice drew with a back of the street in 1976. Toured Australia with Wales was also captain of both the North, which beat the 1979 All Blacks, ings first season the street in 1978.

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which beat the 1979 All Blacks, and Lancashire, the 1980 county champions.

M. J. Colciough (Angouleme and England): aged 26, 5ft 5in, 17st 6ib. Salesman. Six caps. England's middle of the line jumper after five seasons of French club rugby. Has commuted from France to figure in England's grand slam team this year.

A. J. Martin (Aberavon and Wales): aged 32, 6ft Sin, 16st 8ib. Sports outfither. 31 caps. Wales' first choice lineout aince 1973. Also, an occasional goalkicker. With the 1977 Lions and toured South Africa twice last year.

A. Tomes (Hawick and Scotland): aged 28, 6ft Sin, 17st 4lb. 16 caps. Scotland pack leader and a regular Scottish choice since 1978. Forced himself into contention for a Lions place with a superb match against England.

Flankers Flankers
8. M. Lane (Cardiff and Wales):
aged 27, 6ft, 14st 7ft). Four caps.
A tearaway flanker who gained a
place in the Wales side this year
when Paul Ringer, was suspended.
Toured Australia in 1978 and went
to South Africa last year with his

club.

J. B. O'Driscoll (London Irish and Ireland): aged 26, 6ft 3in, 15st 12ib. Seven caps. Doctor. First capped in 1978 and regained a regular place in the Irish side on the tour to Australia where he played in both internationals. Can also play at No 8.

J. Seutre (Pontypool and Wales): age 28, 6ft 3in, 15st 4ib. 16 caps. First capped as a No 8 and took over the Welsh captaincy when J. P. R. Williams retired. Flown out to Join the 1977 Lions in New

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Manager S. J. Millar: Syd South Africa—as a sud 1968 and coach 37 caps as prop for L

to become captain.

N. A. A. Murphy. A manager. Noel Murphy Zealand twice with d 1959 and 1966. Current

## Why women players will be 'dressing up' at Ascot

Britain's women golfers will have an incentive to "satarten up" when they tee off in the foursomes tournament, aponsored by Avia Watches, at the Berkshire Club, Ascot, today. One of the organizers, Joan Rothschild, is putting up a special prize for the best dressed player because, she says, "I am frequently dismayed by the way golfers are turned out.

"Man dress badly but women are even worse. Very few seem to bother how they look on the course. They turn up in old jeans or a crushed and tatty skirt that they keep only for golf. It's not good enough and doesn't happen in other sports. It does not cost a lot to dress nicely and, if you are well turned out it can boost your ego and help you play better."

The six starters in the Avia tournament will give marks out of 10 for "sartorial elegance" to all of the 328 players in each of the four rounds. The prize, probably a silver goblet, can go to any player in either to the two divi-

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sions.
The tournament received a sad setback when Ann Howard, captain of England's team last year, pulled out. Mrs Howard suffered to weekend

pulled out. Mrs Howard suffered a bereavement over the weekend and immediately drove back home to Lancashire with Jan Chapmau, one of the 11 professionals playing in the event.

Their respective partners, the professional. Joanna Smurthwaite and Christine Mackintosh. have now teamed up to form a new pairing. Apart from the professionals, the field also includes many of the 15 players who will take part in the Curtis Cup trials next week, to select the Britain

(Australia), 6-0, 6-5, Doubles final: R. Emyrom (Australia) and F. Stolle (US: boat Lavur and Respectal). Stolle (US: boat Lavur and Respectal). Gest, 6-7, 6-5, many stangles (Uas), 6-7, Assun (US) boat Miss V. Warde (CB: 6-4, 6-1, Doubles W. Turnbull (Australia) beat Mrs L. W. King (US) and Miss W. Turnbull (Australia) beat Mrs L. W. King (US) and Miss I, Kings (US)

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STOKE: English amateur chanaston-ship northers section: D. Martin heat C. Rosco. S.—3. FAREHAM: English amateur chana-sionship. touthern section: J. O'Boye heat M. Darrington. B.—5.

Snooker

For the record

Show jumping

Tennis

Going Dutch

Golf

Ice hockey

Brigitte Caypers, the South African tennis professional, has been chosen to play for the Netherlands in the women's world team champiouship for the Federation Cup in Berlin from May 19-25. Miss Cuypers, aged 24, is of Dutch extraction and has been unable to represent her own country because South Africa have been disturbed from competing in international team-events. For the next three years the Pederation Cup competition will be sponsored by Nippon Electric. a languages by Nippon Electric, a Japan telecommunications company.

Rugby Union

# Bath in a handsome light

Ebbw 'Vale 6 The city of Bath looked lovely yesterday evening, with the sun-light reflecting from windows, and its rugby side made a tolerand its rugby side made a tolerably handsome appearance, beating Ebbw Vale by two goals and three tries to two penalty goals. It was a cold evening, the pitch soft and wet. There was credit for both sides for trying to tun the ball. Neither was at full strength. The Bath crowd were disappointed that Horton, their hero, was no that Horton, their hero, was too exhausted to play—some of the younger ones had come to give him a special cheer.

him a special cheer.

But soon they had other things to cheer about. Bath took the lead with a try by Davies, after 10 minutes, and a couple of minutes later. Murphy scored another. Davies converted the second. Both these tries originated within the Bath half, forwards and backs joining in, and their third was begun by Waterman, almost on his own line, and faished by Beese. However, Lewis, playing against one of his former clubs, kicked a

(Lick-git 7.50 unless siated)-INTER-LEADUS MATCH: Irish League v Scottish League (Beliast, INTER-LEAGUE MATCH: Irish League y Scottish League (Beliast, 7.15).

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Today's fixtures

penalty goal before half-time, when it was 14—3 to Bath, and another soon afterwards. Ebbw Vale kept playing with an attacking dash and fire worthy of their present Member of Parliament, and indeed of his predecessor, but —I will risk pursuing the analysis —they did leave some gaps in their cover.

they did feave some gaps in their cover.

Sutton scored a ry for Bath, and then Trick, Davies again converting. Trick's try was an astonishing one, even for such an astonishing young player. He took an awkward pass from Waterman at about hulfway, with very little room to spart, on the right. The defence were cantering confidently across, and he ran past them, straight as an arrow, turning in only to put the ball down by the posts.

BATH: J. Waterman: D. Trick, M. Revse (caplain), M. Sulton, D. Wyatt. J. Davies, D. Murphy, J. Meddick, M. Mason, R. Lee, B. Johkins, M. van der Loos, C. Parsons, G. Spurrel R. Ley, Saborence, F. W. Blight, M. Chunt, R. Crindio, S. Lowies, G. Howis, A. Lillians, P. Garcher (caplain), G. Still. Refores: R. Parker (North Midlands).

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Ruisin Mahor (6,0). Chertsey v
Vindsor and Eton (6,0). Creys v Red-hill. Harefield v Uxbridge.
RUGEY UNION: Newbridge r
Tradegar (5.50). Newport v Aboravon
(7.15). St Helens v Hull.

Equestrianism

## Nine nations in mamm entry for Badminton

By Pamela MacGregor-Morris By Pamela MacGregor-Morris

There is a near-record entry of 101, from nine nations, for the Badmintou horse trials, which take place in the Dake of Beanfort's glorious park from April 17 to 20. Ireland, the reigning European champlons, are sending five and the Belgians seven riders, while the Australians are fielding six. Other foreign challengers are individuals from Canada. New Zealand, Sweden, Spain, the United States and the reigning European individual champion, Nils Haagensen with three borses from Denmark.

from Denmark.

Ever since Lord Brookeborough "leaked" the news to the National press in early February that the British Equestrian Federation supported the government on the Olympic Issue, connoversy has raged in the horse world, of whom most are in favour of a boycott. For some, the Olympic movement has forgone its ideology (not to say lost its integrity) ever since, at the behost of the Duke of Edinburgh in 1972, 46 of our show jumpers, including all those in the team who are now the reigning world and European champions, declared themselves to be professional, in the belief that other nations whose show jumpers pursue their sport on 364 days in the year would follow suit. The fact that none of them did means that, of the top show-jumping nations, Britain alone has to shoulder the handicap of fielding a team of amateurs, in a highly-professional sport.

The whole Olympic concept with its modern ambiance of drugs and the shamateurism of the Com-

numist countries seeingly bogus to some, can be no doubt that i Olympic Games for were those when the their own—in Stockho at Riem in 1972 and a in 1976. They are, at athletes—it is their partners who qualify is that to go to Moscow betraying Britain's her views must be respects. views must be respecte

It would be naive !

however, that they won forgo the chance to horses that they have ing for three or four ye world-class three-day world-class three-day not its owner, Lord Ex up alongside Lord Kil the Moscow controve there is always Badmin understand that the Dulfort woud not be av holding two three-day et this year if alternativ were to be found for hi

The Australians are England, the Americ Canadians would surely the Germans have alread their intention of boyor Games in Moscow without withdrawal from Kabul-the releging European C. the reigning European C seem to be the only Western Europe who mitted to Russia, this to their refuelling agreet the Soviet Union planes at Shannon, which not sufficiently wealthy

# Latest European snow reports

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Great Britain. L refers to lower slopes and U to upper
following reports have been received from other sources:

SWITZERLAND

# Lawson stands replace Lillee

Lahore, March 17.—The Austra-Han fast bowler, Dannis Lillee, is struggling to be fit for the third and final Test against Pakistan starting here tomorrow, Lillee pulled a muscle in his rib cage a few days ago and the trouble recarred during a spell in the nets

Fred Bennett, the team manager, said that if Lillie was ruled, out of the match his place in the team would go to Geoff Lawson. Mr Bennett added it was now very unitedy that the offspin; bowler, at the match to the said of danjecy Mallett, would be joining the Ceam.

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Dymach.—Reuter.

Packer stays out: The Centenary
Test this summer will be televised
live in Australia by the Australian
Broadcasting Commission and not
by Kerry Packer's Channel Nine
ustwork. For reasons which
Lord's refused to divulge. Mr
Packer's company declined to hid
for exclusive Coverage of the
match on August 28-September 2.

Lloyd is likely to miss Shell Shield

Clive Lloyd is back at his new home in Manchester, nursing a hand injury that will probably keep him out of the West Indies Shell Shleid tournament in the next few weeks. Following strenuous tours as captain in Australia and New Zealand, Lloyd is in need of a rest and unlikely to return to the West Indies until

side to tour England. Lloyd will also be discussing his future with Lancashire when he meets the manager, Jack Bond and secretary, Chris Hassell, ar Old Trafford later this week. With the West Jedian tour finishing in mid-August, Lloyd may be available for Lancastire's last three championship and John Player League matches; and could be offered terms for a special end-of-the-season contract.

ifter Easter to help select the

Chandra retires : Bhagwat Chandrachange reines: inagest chapters shekhar, the Indian spin bowler, announced his retirement from first class cricket yesterday, the United News of India reported. Chandrashekhar played in 38 Tests for India, beginning in 1963, and claimed 242 Test wickets.

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ester City hade agreed a \$00,000 in a double deat \$00,000 in a double deat American Chit. Portland for the Scotist Inter-Wille Dougchie and a Stuart Lee, Both players idering the effer but 5 keen to party at the

le, aged 29, is one of longest serving glasers.
d City, his only senior years ago as a young e. Southampten and were both interested in a tree him at \$1200,000.

Said: "Although= the offer has a certain and must be considered. I still good enough to stay at division." local preduct, joined Stockport County for

on the same day that bed f1.5m. Steve Daley biverhampson. Lee said: If he a wrench to leave thing to Maine Road was ream rome true for me. played six games and eel I bave had sufficient that form throughout in, I must be worth a if there is no future at Maine Road, then I o the States".

e anxious to recoup some r signing Kevin Reeves with for £1m last week. eed up £175,000 for Bobby

from Newcastle and an-000 when they sold Colin o Chelses. ave four players receiving as they prepare for s "derby" same away rester United. The Polish voal, Kazimierz Deyna, is y doubtful, with ankle damage, Paul Power, ad Dennis Tueart are all atment.

Wilson, the Bury captain ield player, is set to join.

Wison turned down a move to third division eld last week and now a sered to allow the 22-player to train at Maine enable them to assess at close range before an offer. "We will be him very closely and if a works out to our satise will make Bury an offer nd of the sexson", the nd of the season", the rman, Peter Swales said. all flies out for a symmer ith Vancouver Whitecaps y, despite a bid by Black-rep their player-manager ountry. An offer to buy ontract has been rejected anadian club. Pike of West Ham will ay's match at Oldham ield player was taken off turday's scoreless; match stle because he was feel-ell, and his symptoms w been confirmed as

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still not ready to return,

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# y players Only Birtles' best will w little be enough for Forest

From Norman Fox Football Correspondent East Berlin, March 17

Some caution was in the air as Some caution was in the air as Nomingham Forest flew here for Wednewday's European Cur quarter-final round the against Dynamo Berlin, who hold a 1—0 lead from the first leg. Peter Taylor, the assistant manager, spoke-of belog up against it while Brian Clough, the manager, steered conversations in other directions.

Rumours of financial embarsesment for Forest if they fail here
this week were discounted by Mr
Clough, and the weekend's other
doubt, about the future of the
managers themselves were also
diverted. Mr Taylor had started
the debate ofter the defeat in the
Football League Cup final by
Woiverhampton Wanderers at
Wembley on Saturday when he
spoke of his hope that the hoard
would leave himself and Mr
Clough to manage.

Of much more immediate con-

Clough to manage.

Of much more immediate concern, as on Saturday, is the need to obtain the best from Francis, and Birtles as the team struggle to regain the form that wan them the European Cup last season. The situation is becoming embarassing.

Birtles has not scored for 14

games, and Francis remains a fimplayer in search of an identity.

Mr Clough said that Forest were in a financial position to buy new players despite investing so much in a new grandstand and in Francis. He explained that \$700.000 of the trunsfer fee received from Cologne for Woodcock was still available. Success in Europe, he said, was not essential in financial terms.

in Europe, he said, was not essential in financial terms.

"We are financially sound", he maintained, "There is no crists—Europe simply provides extra revenue". Reflecting on the difficulties facing Birtles, he remarked: "If Gary does not get some help soon he will lose his enthusiasm." Thus the possibility of the club trying to obtain a direct replacement for Wordcock is clearly seen.

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As for the game here on Wednesday, the Forest team will he without Burns, their most reliable defender on Saturday, because he is suspended, and there will have to be a choice between Bowles and Bowver. For the physically demanding game expected, Bouver is probably the right choice, yet Forest's need for a goal and something out of the ordinary must tempt Mr Clough to use the unusual skill of Bowles. He will choose his team after training to-morrow morning.

### Celtic the only domestic leaders in quarter finals

Celtic flew to Spain yesterday for their European Cup quarter-final, second-leg match against Real Madrid tonorrow with a 2—0 lead and the distinction of being the only club among the last eight to head their domestic league. Real-Celtic is the only match which pairs former winners. The teams fared equally in their weekend matches. A late goal by Robby Lemox, sole survivor of the Celtic team which won the Cup 13 years ago, gained a point at Kilmarnock. At Salamanca, Real, 100. were trailing 0—1, but more screed them when he scored 20 minutes from time.

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Celtic stretched their lead in the Scottish premier division to seven points, but McCluskey, who scored the first goal against Real, damaged an ankle and is doubtful for Madrid. Real would top their league if goal difference applied. But Spain retains goal average and on this calculation Real Sociedad edge them into second place.

Hamburg, the West German champions, reinforced by their English Footballer of the year, Kevin Keegan, take a 1—0 lead to Yugoslavia, having boosted morale with a 3—2 win at Cologne, which restores them to second place in the Eundesligs.

second place in the Bundesliga.
Their hosts, Hajduk Split, who had no match at the weekend.
remain fifth in the league, four polum behind the leaders with a match in hand.

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Yesterday's football results

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SOUTHERN LEAGUE: Midland distrion. Kidderminster O. Bediord 1. Southern division: Salebury 2, Margato 1. NORTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE Tamworth 1. Oswerty 0: South Liver pool v Langacies, postponed.

# Spurs chairman

eish Football Association of the formulation of English football anager and, director of Among the candidates terriewed at Newport are to be the former England Jimmy Armfield, and United's Urughay-born ch Danny Bergara.

Ingland, a former captain a former captain s and now player-coach attle Sonnders in the merican league, is also he front runders for the either with Graham Willeform the Carries a salary fil. (800, attracted a long lopefuls, which carries a salary fil. (800, attracted a long lopefuls, which has been to around half a dozen, now aged 35 and red for many strong performances in his areer, is favourire for the language for the language in Liverpool's successful sides over the part five years, he has failed to get another international call. Kennedy, also 25, made six under-23 appearances before his £300,000 move from Newcastle in August 1978. Sidney Wale has resigned after 11 years as chairman of Tottenham Houspur and has been succeeded by Arthur Richardson, who is in his early seventies and joined the board in October 1961. Mr Wale, seed 66, has been a director for 23 years and chairman for the past 11; he succeeded his father as chairman and is the major shareholder at White Hart Lane. Lord ban sought: The Football League have been urged to prevent the Burnley chairman, Bob Lord, from sitting on ribunals and at disciplinary hearings. The request, which is bound to cause acute embarrassment to cause acute embarrassment because Mr Lord is a senior vice-president of the league, was made by the Fulham chairman, Ernie

FA Trophy draw SEMI-FINAL ROUND: Weting v Daeenham: Mossley or Skyth Sparrans > Boston United or Dulwich Kamiet. Two-leg ties to be played on April 13 and 19.

Boxing

# Minter aims to turn glory into

From Ivor Davis Las Vegas, March 17

For a man who had just won the undisputed world middle-weight the Alan Minter was lookweight true Alah Multer (23 1005-ing a triffe battle-scarred. A few hours after his stunning points victory over Vito Antuolermo, 2 brushing Italian from Brooklyn, Minter offered an unusual picture of domestic bliss in an oruste blue and gold suite in Caesar's Palace Hotel, appropriately colled the Fantasy Tower. He was barechested and dangled his three-year-old daughter Kerry on his knee; his son Ross, aged one, played on the carpet in front of the television, which was showing an old Julie Christie film. White his wife, Lorraine, opened a pile of congratulatory telegrams the new champion devoured a celebration meal of totated bacon and lettuce sandwiches and orange of domestic bliss in an urnate blue ceterration ment in tolsted bacon and lettuce sandwiches and orange juice. His father-in-law, Doug Bidwell, who also happens to be his manager, bathed in the glory and expansively contemplated the future.

future.
Minter's scars included four fresh stitches needed to close a cut above his right eye; a swollen thumb—caused, he said, in round three—and a sprained right ankle that he twisted in the fourteenth round when he tripped and fell to the canvas and was forced to take a manulatory count of eight. take a mandatory count of eight.

An 8-5 underdog, Alinter fought
superbly against the mauliug, hulldozing. Antwofermo who tried in
vain to run him over at well as
hold on to his title. For more
than two thirds of the contest
Minter gave a masterful lesson in
disciplined boxing.

Minter was full value for money.

Minter was full value for money. It was the first time in more than 60 years—since the era of Ted "Kid" Lewis—than an English boxer had come to the United States and returned with a world title. Lewis regained the welter-weight title over 20 rounds at Dayton, Ohio, against Jack Britton in June, 1917.

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The verdict was a split decision and there will be a great deal of debate over the English judge, Roland Dakin, who gave Minter 13 of the rounds, one even and only one, the fourteenth, to the chanpion. Dakin, somewhat lopsidedly, stored it 149—137 for the Englishman. Charles Minter in Kerada, gave Minter nine rounds, 144—141. The third judge, Ladislav Sanches, from Venezuela, gave the champion the edge, 145—143.

Fame and fortune-await Minter

second goal in the Londoners' 5—1 first-leg win, was hurt again in the FA Cup win at Watford and has missed the last two games. His thigh strain has not responded to treatment an dhe will not even be making the trip to Sweden. Vaessen will deputise, and with Arsenal looking certain to reach the last four, Stapleton, who also has a thigh strain, may not be edge, 145—143.

Fame and fortune-await Minter when he returns home to Crawley, in Sussect. Mr Bldwell will be on hand to make sure the champion gets his just deserts. "I'm hoping it's going to be the big everything from now on," he said. "Alan has sacrificed everything. There have been the bumps and bruises and the physical problem along the way. We've not really earned a lot of modey and now is the the last four, Stapleton, who also has a thigh strain, may not be risked.

Berron, the reserve goalkeeper, has influenza, so Wilmot, an apprentice, travels as cover for Jennings, but the good news is that Rice, the capitaln, who missed the last five games with an ankle injury, is fit to take over from Devide at full back. the physical problem along the way. We've not really earned a lint of modey and now is the chance. Alan has a restaurant and a nice house, but this boxing is a rough business and I think you're equitled to get pleaty out of it if you've put it in. We have, ally aim is to make sure Alan Minter gets pleaty. Until now we've fought for glory not money." For his 15 rounds, Minter picks up a \$50.000 purse.

For most of the contest he carefolly, nay obsessively, avoided clashing heads or mixing it with the flailing Amundermo. Minter frequently scopped him in his tracks with bursts of right-left flurries so that the Italian quickly learned to respect the southpaw.

flucries so that the Italian quickly learned to respect the southpaw. Annofermo, who has held the title for less than a year and was defending it only for the second time, was unhappy with the verdict and upset by the mix of judges. "I'm not an American. I'm Italian". he insisted, "I don't have a representative. I think I'm still champion. It was a terrible decision and I can't accept it".

The Mitorer clan will head home

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The Minter clan will head home to Britain on Thursday. No title defences are contemplated although Minter said that he would not avoid anyone, "aithough me." though Minter said that he would not avoid anyone, "although middleweights have avoided me". Challenge for Minter: A London promoter, Harry Levene, annry at accusations that the British Judge, Dakin was biased, said yesterday that he was prepared to stage a re-match at Wembley to answer doobts. Mr Levene's offer was prompted by his American counterpart, Bob Arum, who said Dakin was guity of a "gross lack of impartiality".

# Nureyev could leap right to the top

From Desmond Stoneham French Racing Correspondent Paris, March 17

Nureyev, who disputes favouritism with Monteverd: for the 2,000 Gulness at Newmarket in May, has done well in the winter and will make his first appearance of the make his instance of the season in the seven furlong Prix Diebel at Massons Laffitte on April 8 before contesting, England's first classic. At St-Cloud last Saturday a cautious François Ecutin also a cautious François Boutin also informed me that Firyal, who like Nursyev is also owned by the Greek shipping millionaire, Stavros Niarchos, would take her chance in the 1,000 Galocas, all being well after the Prix Imprudence, which is run on the same day and over the state of is run on the same day and over the same course as the Prix Djebel. Bourn can'd not be better pleased with Nureyev, who but for pedal British VAT regulations would probably still be at Peter Walwyn's Lambourn yard. "Re's grown a little, put on some weight and ly blessed with a truly ducibe character." Bourn wid me addand is blessed with a truly ducile character." Boutin told me, adding "Nureyev is as pleasant and calm as anything I have ever trained." Boutin would not be drawn on Nureyev's programme after the 2000 Guineas, but is praily convinced that the son of Nethern Dancer who staw has a value of ground Sim, will stay the Derby distance of one and a built miles.

Bought at the Reengland Sales for over 1500,000, Nureyev has raced just once in his cureer. Last November, at St-Cloud, the colt pulverized a useful field in the seven and a half furlong Prix Thomas Bryon. After that race François Boutin was tenvinced that Nureyev was of the finest class, even comparing the colt with Normalico (winter of the Prix Moroward 2000 Cuinney) and 12 hadman



Nureyev: "blessed with a truly docile character".

Prix de Lisieux at Deauville and than finished third behind Princesse Lida ard Varingo in the Prix Morny. Firyal, who has had some training problems, was a little disappointing when titth to Princesse Lida in the Prix de la Salamanne and fourth to Argenne in the Criterium des Pouliches,

Boutin expects a lot from Gerald Oldham's Vaguely Noble Gold Corvary, who picked up both the Prix Saint-Roman and Prix de Conde at Longchamp last season.

This colt reappears in the mine and therequarter furlong Prix de the colt propears in the mine and therequarter furlong Prix de the colt propears in the mine and the providential looked distinctly useful when larding last threequarter furlong Prix de the Routin stable that Un Reitre, another Niarchos horse, may well accompany Nice Havrais to the post at the beginning of the season and Suvero, an impressive vinner of last season's Prix Eclipse, could possibly be a third Eclipse, Thomas Bryon. After that race François Boutin was continued that Nurveyer was of the finest class, even comparing the colt with None also (winner of the Prix Morroy and 2,000 Guineas) and La Lagune, who took the 1968 Epeson Usks by five lengths.

According to Boutin, Firyal is the best filly in his 190 strong stable, which is crummed with potential star performers. She began her career by dominating the useful Light of Realm in the This colt reappears in the mine and threequarter (urlong Prix de Guiche et Langue, and Light Guineas) and half furlong Prix Lupin on the same course on May 13. Another this by five lengths.

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Le Marmot's targets are the Prix d'Harcourt and Prix Ganay, so he will cross swords again with Three Troilias, who defeated Le Marmot by three lengths in last year's Prix de L'Arc de Triomphe. Other older Bourin burses expected to he in the money this season are Northein Eaby (Prix Dollar, Prix d'Ispahan and a main

carget of the Benson and Hedges Gold Cup). Scorpio. who will probably tackle the Jockey Club Stakes before the Grand Prix d'Evry and Prove it Baby. The last named will be running over last named will be running over extreme distances. Some other Boutin three-year-olds who should make their mark this year are Nobic Cake, Ice Plant, Deep Music, Turnablade, Stromos, Milliems, Red Bend (when the ground is good), Nebene, Mariella, Rolling Star, Northern Horizon and the unraced Rose Du Boele.

Christiane (" Criquette ") Beatt Christiane (" Criquette ") Head is sure to have another successing season with her brilliant filty. Three Troikas, who after the Prix d'Harcourt (April 7) and Prix Gamay (May 4) may well go the King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Diamond Stakes at Ascot. One who may follow in the footsteps of Three Troikas is Bendela. She runs in the Prix Vanteaux followed by the Prix Soint-Alary and the Prix de Diame (June 15). Others to follow from this stable are Diamond Springs. this stable are Diamond Springs-Selerina, Islander, Saint Elie, Free Dance and Feelings.

Office and restings.

Alex Head expects a lot of First Of The Line, who impressed me a lot when taking the Prix de Saint-Pierre-Azif at Evry best October. This son of Vaguely Noble has no fixed programme as yer, but should race with the best. There are some changes in this year's French programme. The one mile Pris du Moulin de Longchamp has been brought forward to the first Sunday in September, to the first Sunday in September, thus avoiding the usual near clash with the Queen Elicabeth II Stakes. The Prix Maurice du Gheest, a six and a half furlong sprint at Deauville, becomes a group received and will be worth over £20,000 to the wincers this year. Also, for the first time, the Prix de Physche at Deauville will carry group three status. will carry group three status.

### Nottingham programme



2.30 TRENT CHASE (Handicap : £1,329 : 31m) 3.0 WELLAND CHASE (Novices: £1,158: 2m)

M. Charles 1

# 4.0 DERWENT FOXHUNTERS CHASE (Amateurs: \$542: 21m) 4.30 CHARNWOOD HURDLE (Div II: Novices: £753: 2m)

2-1 Monthly Kamire, 3-1 Fair Bunter, 9-2 Northern Ucho, 11-2 Habba, 10-1 Beatendant, 12-1 Yough Guy, 16-1 odiers.

5.0 PETER MARSH STAKES (Flat race : £611 : 2m) R MARSH STAKES (Flat race: 1611: 2m)

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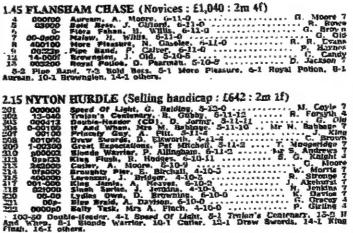
C 6-4 Angelo Salvini, 9-2 Fimbrook, 6-1 Mongle's Dena, 10-1 Ulin Liu Forng Roy, 12-1 Coded Hat Tracer, Kanuacontoc, Rubbor Logs, 16-1 other...

### Nottingham selections

By Our Racing Staff 2.0 Flamish Glant, 2.30 RAPALLO is anecially recommended, 3.9 Percipient, 3.30 Othman, 4.0 Family Man, 4.30 Fair Hunter, 5.9 Meggies Dene.

3.15 MADEHURST HURDLE (Handicap: £1,485: 2m.1f)

### Fontwell Park programme



2.45 CERTAIN JUSTICE CHALLENGE CUP CHASE (Handicap



# 3.45 MUNDHAM HURDLE (Novices: 5819: 2m 1f) 4.15 CHARLTON CHASE (Hunters: amateurs: £1.104: 3m 2fi. 4.15 CHARLION CHASE (Hunters: amateurs: £1.104: 3m 2f1; 501 220-f11 Sun Lion, N. Henderson, 10-12-7 R Wires-Carbon, 502 115-529 Cha King, C. Bere, 10-12-3 har 4 the Bern, 503 2003-12 Dancing Bris, T. Clay, 5-12-0 T. Creek 506 22 Haiper, M. Davies, 12-12-0 Mins M. Creek 507 033-54- Sulmeter Bry, Mrs. A. Tailor, 10-12-0 Mins M. Creek 508 3- The Treat B. Dukes, 10-12-0 Mins M. Hydy, 508 3- The Treat B. Dukes, 10-12-0 Mins M. Hydy, 613 30p-04 Great Creek, Mins M. Clook, 11-11-7 R. Hackings 613 30p-04 Great Creek, Mins M. Clook, 11-11-7 T. Voorsbur, 514 p- Tangles Knight, H. Voorsbur, 10-11-7 T. Voorsbur, 613 30p-04 Great Creek, Mins M. Clook, 11-11-7 T. Voorsbur, 614 1-1 Sun Lion, 5-2 Dancing Brig, S.I Andrew Patrick, 10-1 Helpen, 12-1 Cheking, 14-1 Tossic's Boy, 20-1 athers.

Fontwell Park selections

By Our Racing Staff 1.45 More Pleasure. 2.15 Double Header. 2.45 Tack Money. 3.15 ROYAL COACHMAN is specially recommended. 3.45 Miss Pilgrim. 4.15 Sun Lion.

# imbridge throw down gauntlet and get sieve in return After a long period of mannel vision both crews appear to have caught a glimpse of light, and during last week no less than five changes, in rowing order have taken place in both Boar Race crews. Oxford's new line-up may be judged if they start in next Saturday's Head of the River race; Cambridge, in their new order, were first into the front line against the national eight. Two weeks are after sorties

Railton
980 Boat Race (April 5) is
y on. Oxford received the
e vesterday when the Camand Goldie crews arrived
Corpus Christi College,
on an extended ricycle
r 16: it was hearty underestuff with accompanying
kers and eg throwing.
)xford president, Boris
accepted the challenge
Tered Cambridge's John
use a kimben siere—" a
nodel for bailing out" ridge, tricycling from their Oxford, experienced their breakdown in two days, by it was their tricycle; on it was the boat, when a solt sheered off during the against the British national

Two weeks ago, after sorties with London University, Cambridge left the Hidway in despondent mood; by the end of last weekend light blue spirits must have taken a great turn for the better. The new Cambridge line-between Palmer and Philips and between Lauric and Woodhouse—looks right. The

OXECHD: S. R. W. Francia (Si Pgul's and Corpus Christi) bow. J. L. Band (Ming Edwart VI. Stafford and Merion: M. D. Andrews (Abbasson and Magdales). N. A. Comington (Brantices and Corpus Christi). (Brantices and Corpus Christi). C. J. Inhapper Hampton and Orioli, J. C. J. Battry (Radley and Orioli, J. C. J. Discreas (Wallingford and Kohler, Stroke, J. S. News (Si Edward's and Si Edmund Ball) cox.

MR JUICY, b c The Briantan— Funder Song (J. Vaughan). 4-11-9 ... John Williams (R-1) 1 Law Venture ...). Sutchard (35-1) 2 Jason-Jahus Chales Michael Williams (S-1) 3 ALSO RAN: 2-1 fav P.C. Ptod, 4-1 Concorde Girl (4th), 9-1 Lettino, 16-1 Cambing Site, 50-1 Abberg Grange, Border Chase. Condign (p). Dinkum Chief, Grey Eff. Harwood Forest, Minimarket (p). Biver, Ward. Torbo, Willbertee, Billy Bales, 18 fan. NR: Cryfor Help, Bantimental Mo.

TOTE: Win, £1.06; places, 320, 21.75. 379 3321 foresst, £22.19. (SP; £22.23. J. Vangham at Whitland. HADAJAR, b s Royalty—See Gal (A. Morris) 5-11-12 C. Smith (12-2 Fev) Cantytroon . N. Doughty (57-1) Je Colombo . R. F. Davies (6-1) Je Colombe . R. F. Davies (b-1/2)

- ALSO RAN: J-1 Entebbe (44h)

10-1 Another Picture, Drope O'Brandy,
20-1 Golden Dee, 25-1 Cardine Ginger,
20-1 Last Cariam (p), Whistle for
Jacks, 50-1 Burton Princess, MonJacks, 50-1 Burton Princess, Mon-TOTE: Win, 30p; places, 14p, 59p, 10p; dual forecast, £7,26, CSF: £4.78, M. Tato at Kidderminuter, 21, 11,1. 

3.30 13.341 EAGLE PAINTE CNASE
(Novices: £1.412); 3'-m'

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ALSO RAN; 3-1 fav Royal Gaye 1st
10-1 Lismount VI (4th), 12-1

Walargare Bay (s); Somphing-InHand (s), 16-1 Prince of Piccarro
(p), 50-1 Laromyan Late, Arrhors
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ALSO PAN: S-1 Benghari Express
(4th . Runjer's Joy. 6-1 Prince of
Normondy, 16-2 Franch Pin. 12-1
Just Jake. 16-1 Fittermere, Bear's
Pow (p), 35-1 Mullacrew. Sh-1 Sambrook (p), 12 Tan. NR: My Buch.
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4.30 : 4.38) TRETTON CHASE
(Hunters: E540: 35.m)

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Mr A. J. Wilson (9-4 fav) 1

Mr Miss. Mr J. Docker (20-1) 2

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Also RAN: 5-2 The Pilgartic ip)

11-4 Cambe (1: 20-1 Flash Harry
19. 35-1 Mass Gwyn (9. 35-1 Draid
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(p). 15 mm.

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A. K. Pownall (3-1) 2
Og Lesson Miss B. Sanders (20-1) 3

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F. Grimes (7-2) Spin Again .. B. R. Davies (8-1) 3
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Home Grown. Annenia Princrise (48),
25-1 Singing Foot (1). Spinish War.
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(4th) 12-1 Strong Hand (r) 16-1
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5.15 (5.18) ERIDGE HURDLE (Homoscop: 21.6-12: 31-m)

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Ebotheczer—Gay Violet (W. Skinger), 5-10-0 M. Perrell (8-1: 1)

Vandeszen, R. Goldstoin (23-31): 3

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Genovese, 1-2 1-1 (Teaming Grass, 26-1)

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J. Francome (9-4 fav. 1.1)

Igle R. G. Hughes (-1.1, 2.2)

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M. J. Masson at Lewes, 31.12.
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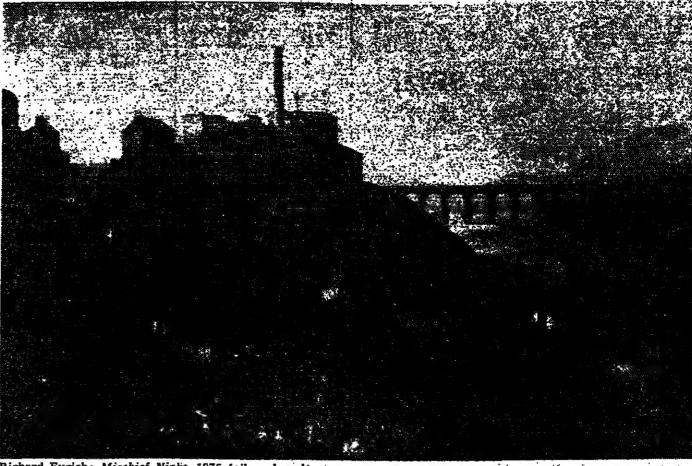
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# The bizarre beneath the ordinary

Richard Eurich Fine Art Society

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Brighton Museum

I make no apology for writing again, at greater length, on the Richard Eurich retrospective I noticed briefly from Bradford: he seems to me one of the most astonishingly underestimated, or just unestimated, artists of his generation. Born in 1903, he is an exact contemporary of Graham Sutherland, John Piper and Ceri Richards, and from two to six years older than Edward Burra. Tristram Hillier. Victor Pasmore and Francis generation, evidently, and at first glance he looks like the most various of them all.

But first glances can be deceiving, and the more care-fully one looks at the paintings of over 50 years now crowding the walls of the Fine Arts Society (until April 11) the more overpowering the sense of unity and coherence becomes. It is not so much the technique as the vision underlying the technique. Whether Eurich is painting large-scale landscapes, fantasy pictures (in the lare 1940s he did some very odd ones of live scarecrows and commedia dell arte figures), straightforward war-artist transformed the visual data of records of battle and devastation and war-work, or the or semi-abstract compositions mysterious, monumental images during the period of their chief

experience for a lot of British artists. And in Eurich's case especially the readymade surrealism of war-torn buildings or the parts of a Mulberry harbour being manoeuvred into position found an answering echo in his own tendency to relish the bizarre at the heart of the ordinary. But the later beach pictures, with their sculptural calm and solidity (sometimes oddly suggestive of a very different artist, Sebrat), are also haunting, especially when, in pencil drawings like Figures on a Beach-The Rainbow, they make the most of the least. This show allows us to make contact with a true original, a painter who only grows in one's esti-metion with familiarity which up to now has been devied us. If Eurich has been individually and personally neglected, Terry Frost belongs to a group which has known fashion and

highly romantic, which is to

say that it was entirely in the spirit of the music. So close

was the identification, in fact, that we heard one of those rare

performances that interpose

have disappeared. Which is not

Schumann composed Kreis-leriana. Op 16, in a few days, in an astonishing access of in-spiration. This may not be en-

tirely unconnected with the fact

that the emotions of each piece

are much less clearly defined

than in the two preceding works. Also, they are fearfully

fame, and has then, if exactly plummeted from view, at least drifted away from the forefront of our attention. The external links among Frost, Roger Hilton, Peter Lanyon, Patrick Heron and Bryan Wynter-to mention only the most prominent-were mostly Cornish; but, if Cornwell in various ways provided the raw material for their art, much more im-portant was the like-mindedness manifest in the way they

of people on beaches which fame, the late 1950s. It may be have much preoccupied him in that this kind of painting has the past few years, there is been at just the wrong distance been at just the wrong distance from us of late, and so excited little sympathy. But with the emergence of such coherent always something stranger than first meets the eye. A sense that, just on the margins of the picture, something curious is going on, balf-glimpsed, or that something everyday is rendered extraordinary by the angle from which he views it. reflections of that period's taste as the Pier Collection, now in Orkney, and the Roland Collec-tion, long touring for the Arts Council, these sober, home-grown equivalents of American The war pictures are all wonderful, with that special intensity which seems to have informed also the work of Abstract Expressionism sud-denly begin to look pretty good Sutherland and Piper, among

much to do with Terry Frost's recent work, on show at the New Art Centre in Stoane Street until April 3. Except that the gallery has thoughtfully put on a background show of his early work, plus that of Hilton, Lanyon and Wynter, downstairs, so that we can find out, if we had forgotten, where he is now coming from. The recent works are paintings and collages, though the collages, being made up of pieces of painted canvas applied to painted canvas and then often painted over again, are really finally paintings of an un-usually rich and intricate texture. They are all abstract, though one may fancy a certain programmatic significance in titles such as October Whites and Summer Collage (equally, this might reflect no more than the times at which they were painted). They are all marked by that extreme sensitivity to the tactile qualities of paint applied to canvas, the invitation to the eye to seek out colours within a colour or observe how a difference of texture makes one colour many, which made Frost back in the 1950s the most constantly. CONSTRUCT insidiously fascinating of all Arthur Boyd also, in a way,

inspires retrospection. For one thing, the paintings on show at Fischers, until April 11 which are all recent, are in very much the same style, and deal with a lot of the same subject-matter, as the Australian pennings.

YMSO/Fitz-Gorald St John's William Maon nothing between the composer and the audience. Speaking in a strictly metaphorical way, the planist could be said to

Henze conducted recordings, issued in a box, of his first five symphonies. At the time to suggest that the lyricism of the "Valse noble" or the virtuosity of "Pantalon et Columbine" were other than fairly typical of Mr Brendel. they seemed, progressively considered, rather to the right of centre, though full of ideas and genuinely symphonic. His subsequent music, resulting from his conversion to Castro-style Marxism, has not weakened the appeal of his earlier work, as could be experienced on Saturday evening when Mark Fitz-Gerald conducted the Young Musicians' Symphony Orchestra in the public London premiere of Henze's third symphony.

works. Also, mey are rearrily difficult—unreasonably so, one often feels. Yet technical problems could scarcely have seemed less to the point on this occasion, and the opening "Ausserst bewegt" stormed decisively from start to finish. More remarkable, however, were the depth of feeling that Mr Brendel revealed in the following "Sehr immig und nicht zu rasch" and in the central section of the third movement, "Seler aufgeregt". There was a finely spontaneous sound, also, to the two "Sehr lang-sam" pieces.

Some years ago Hans Werner

Like Henze's other early symphonies, it is instantly approachable, indeed welcoming. Dance and drama were central to Henze's musical thinking in 1949 when he began it, the voices of Hindemith and early Stravor Hindemute and early Strav-insky at least as influential as the 12-note mentors of Darms-tadt to whom Henze never accorded more than cursory homage. The references to Apollo and Dionysus in the movement-titles point to a neo-lessic artitude the classic classic attitude, the closing

sparks of colour in the opening Allegro to the magicly muted tutti passages in the final Presto. Every dynamic nuance of the central contemplative tuba solo was captured by John Fletcher. Sennets and battlecries from

England and France rang out in the two pieces that flanked the Capriccio: the "Newark Siege" of John Jenkins (another exciting transcription by Peter Reeve) with its mimicking trumpet from on high, and an arrangement by Elgar Howarth of the Agincourt song, both deftly played with appropriate panache. The more sombre colours of horn and trombones trumpet tune.

Leonard Salzedo, whose "Divertimento" introduces BBC's open University programmes, arrangement. Although at one point the trombones nearly rangement with the Gibbons "In away with the Gibbons Nomine", order was soon re-stored by the trumpets, whose job it was to sing out the plain-

times by themselves, sometimes in slightly surrealistic juxtapositions (with a unicora, for instance). Boyd sheres with his compatriot Nolan a taste for a rather slick, unsavoury finish, which does not encourage closer acquaintance. Bur at least his imagination, as in the his-and-hers crucifixions, remains weird enough to enforce atten-For a real nostalgia trip, though, it is necessary to go down to Brighton, where until April 13 the museum has, appropriately enough given its established interest in decoretive art between the wars; a

us. Nothing wrong with consis-tency, of course; evidently Boyd is one of those private-world painters who carries his

vision round with him, so that it does not matter much where

a landscape is painted, it

a range as painted, it siways comes out rather the same. The most striking new development is a preoccupation with dead fish, particularly skate, which bulk large in several new paintings, sometimes by themselves sometimes

very splendid show of Duncan Grant's decorative work, for the Omega Workshop to begin with, then for various grander and more businesslike clients in the Twenties and Thirties. As it happens, this side of his work shows Grant off to particular adventage; even his paintings, when they have some clear and away decorations as against his warranted major works.) The painted furniture, the fabric designs, the rugs and book-plates and hats (yes, there is even a hat design for Iris Tree) are all eminently ownship and usable and livable-with; they would brighten anyone's life.

John Russell Taylor

"Dance of Exercism" to primitive rites (notably Stravinsky's Rite of Spring). Yet Henze's third is a personal achievement, not mere prentice work, as bellet audiences have discovered and as I knew when I heard it in Scotland 13 years ago. London concert audiences have missed something in waiting until now for live exposure to its numinous and energetic delights.

The YMSO have flexed their muscles at Henze already, with some success; this summer they are to play at the composer's own festival at Montepulciano. Their account of his third symphony was more than impressive in its natural grasp of style and expressive concern. and expressive content. They got most of the notes right, too, and the intricate rhythms held no terrors for them. Now and then the ensemble slipped, but the music was always articulated idiomatically, including room to breathe. Sometimes pertinent string themes were swamped. whether because of the acous-tics, or the conductor's care for balance, is open to question.
The parts of the work which I have come to value most were communicated with a love and care that any professional orchestra would have to work hard to match. There was no doubt that the players enjoyed and admired the music.

The students who form the YMSO will soon be part of our major orchestras—among them still the BBCSSO, all sane musiclovers will optimistically pray. This concert also included Beethoven's Emperor Concerto, sprucely accompanied to match a dazzling, exquisitely rhythmical and tonally alluring account of the solo part by the young British-born Aydin Onaç (he has a Turkish father), a pianist who obliged one to appreciate anew the inward poetry and bold virility of this great, much-exposed work. The orchestra also gave a vividly engaging account of the anonymous suite from Strauss's Der Rosen-

Franklyn takes over in 'Deathtrap'

William Franklyn will take over from Gareth Hunt the leading role of Sidney Bruhl in lra Lévin's thriller Deathtrap at the Garrick Theatre on April 28. The rest of the castremains unchanged. Deathtrap opened at the Garrick in October, 1978, starring Denis

Omiliev.

Ballet Gala Coliseum

John Perrival No distespect to the Sunday night's baller ga of the Jacqueline Research Found, but fir I must mention Festive corps in the scintilla formance of Etudes entied the programme They had elready eight performances of ferent programmes la and have another but award of them but be were on their one a dancing as if for the and managing the

and managing the m manding entires with cision and crispness it; exhibitating tingle graning of this sort is At their head was team of pribcipals dethe company's own . Eva Evdokimova seem suited to the ballering : the delicacy to bring of of technical display strength to shine dimmed brightness all the ballet Peter S and Patrice Bart bravura display and j partnered Evdokimov somely in the adagio's Festival Ballet began

gramme too, with I Décrate Variations, 1 evening for a group pieces. Natalia Maka been expected but ha off at the last minute of influenza. However Jeanmaire was there to the raste of star qualit The duet from Rolar Chauve-Souris, which Denys Ganio denced make much sense o original dramatic con the pair of them peri with so much fisir powerful presence it

else mattered. Some of the other chosen numbers that did not show them at a in a gala context. Som from the second act of for instance, did not re-Manula Asensio to sh she might make of the ballet, nor give Michae much opportunity to sh London debut.

Also appearing for time in London was 'Kozlova, and I believe only time her husband Kozlov, has previously name on a London the gramme was when he the mazurka in Su during the Bolshoi Bal Covent Garden season

It was somewhat ov ing to give them the immediately before the soloists they showed ently in the Don Quix deux, but we have so glamorous, more say more thrilling accoun chance to see this talent to better adva the context of a rather than in this sor matazz.

Philharmonia Festival Hall

Noël Goodwin Anybody more than five late on Sunday would be Finlandia over and d by Vladimir Ashkeni conducted it with a s a comic opera overn shedding its pompou consequence, but losi: thing of its grandeur.
Perhaps he was auxid to Sibelius's fourth sy which is certainly on composer's most origin

and arguably his most cated; reticent of feeli in harmonic and inst colours, and filled wit statements and my veiled allusions. In spite of conduct out a score, Mr A seemed more than puzzled by its chara purpose. He nudged it fits and starts, urging bodily with those vehement gestures perhaps to compensate of platform inches, Ti unfortunately, was a

necessary flow and overall shape in his of phrasing. The music became of fragmented st stitched rogether t sometimes left to lo themselves and with gard for dynamics. Suggested practically run-through a pt sketch for the Sibelius cycle he is a undertaking for the phone, but hardly

public consumption. The enigmatic natu A minor symphony is be resolved by one of later symphonies, su seventh or fifth. Air however, plunged to site extreme of romi cal character in il symphony by Rachm paive emotionalism s spite of the late devaluation of its m

Its performance put me in mind of a floridly written in on rose-tinted paper. less repetitions ar linings, but unmistal ardour and affection, in those circling swipes of the right which Mr Ashkenas approaching ecstasy.

cesses.

He obtained not than a committed from the orchestra. a string ensemble of cision and richness, more firmly founder orchestra's new match eight five-string doub by Krahmer-Pöllmann rous bottom line indeed

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All of this does not have so others, at that time: obviously the war was a central emotional

his group. during the period of their chief

Alfred Brendel Festival Hall

Max Harrison

One way of listening to, and enjoying Alfred Brendel's marvellous Schumann recital on Sunday afternoon was as a crescendo of complexity. He began with the Kindersconen, Op 15, which take an idealized view of childhood-Schumann was unmarried when he wrote them—that is reflected in their regular phrases, symmetrically grouped. The 13 movements were played without exaggerawere played without exaggerations— even "Traumerei"—
each being exactly to scale.
Greater pleasure arose, however, from the countless
planistic felicities which filled
these little canvases, such as
the dark weighting of the bass
in "Wichtige Begebenheit," or
the gently hypnotic emphasis
of "Kind im Einschlummern".

Carnaval, Op 9, is another set of relatively short move-ments, each with a vivid, in-deed unforgettable, character. They are far more complex in organization, and, with their variations of small groups of notes, even have a permuta-tional aspect that may seen far from the spirit of romanticism. Mr Brendel's interpretation, though, was

Philip Jones Brass Queen Elizabeth Hall

Hilary Finch

The muse of dance put in a brief but colourful appearance on the South Bank on Sunday for a brilliant, finely controlled performance of Peter Reeve's arrangement for the Philip Jones Brass Ensemble of Praetorius's Terpsichorean It was just as well, for the Muses seemed to have paid only

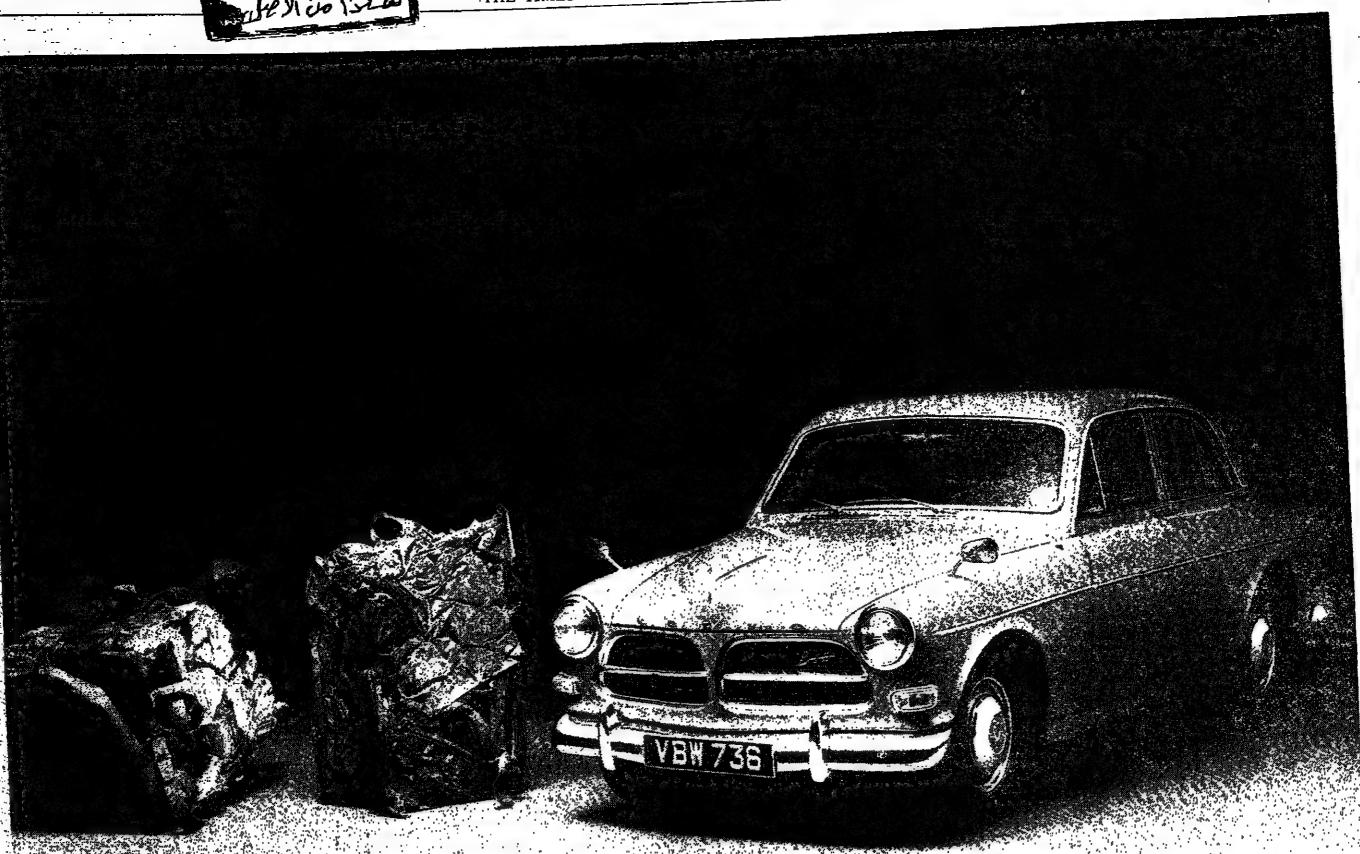
a fleeting visit during the entire composition of Malcolm Arnold's Symphony for Brass Instruments, especially written Instruments, especially written for the Ensemble and given its first London performance on Sunday. Arnold has written bright, extrovert, idiomatic pieces for brass, but this is not one of them. Howard Snell, conducting, lifted the curiously uncertain, unarresting opening out of sluggishness by

finding just the right tempo to precede the flurries of semi-quavers blown out skilfully in all directions by the four trombones, five trumpets, two horns and tuba.
The quirky second mayerness

The quirky second movement minuet, in which trumpets and trombones are pitted against each other but without any real conversation or conflict, was followed by the more dramatic horror movie music of the third movement, redeemed by its long and beautifully played horn solo. The testing double fugue of the finale was the most memorable part, its sprightly ascending motives complemented nicely by a languid

ensemble, the Capriccio for Brass Quintet, in 1977. Truly capricious and constantly fas-cinating, it was played with a

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America is in a conservative mood, and this man is its natural standard bearer

# Who is afraid of Governor Ronald Reagan?

sat down to lunch at the Lancers Restaurant in Schaumburg, a drab and anonymous there is a self-depr middle-class suburb to the west irony which is pleasant. of Chicago. At my table were a number of youngish Americans. and a secret service man. The Americans had paid a minimum of \$100 per couple to attend. The speaker, and candidate in the Illinois primaries next date's mind. Governor Reagan's Tuesday, was Governor Ronald acting experience may make his

I was sitting at a table next to the top table, and was able to observe Mr Reagan closely. He seemed perfectly fit. He does not look his age, which is 69; he has a good colour; he appears healthy and alert. When he rose to speak, he did so in a relaxed way, with none of that over-exhilaration which comes to many candidates in the heat and exhaustion of a campaign. His opening statement was rather flat; from own experience, I judged that he had reached the stage of being slightly bored by his own speeches, a fatigue which comes to almost everybody who speaks repeatedly on the same subjects in a short time.

After a short introduction, in which he criticized President Carter's counter-inflation pro-gramme, Mr Reagan moved straight to questions. He was esked seven questions, though one was followed by tiresome and confused supplementaries. Three questions were on eco-nomics, two on politics, one was on a mixture of defence and

economics, and one social. I had expected Governor Reagan's style of answering questions to be skilful. He mixes humour in his replies, in a way that is comparatively rere in American politics. His actual jokes are fairly amusing, but sound as if he had made them before: "You can't rob Peter to pay Paul, We're all Pauls nowsdays. Peter went by the inflationary process. He hankcupt a long time ago." It's wants to move to a balanced not 100 funny, and it does not budget. "Balancing a budget is

to break up the seriousness of the reply. As well as the jokes, there is a self-deprecating

There were two points I had not expected. Even though questions can be foreseen, replies to questions cannot be made from cards, but have to come straight out of the candidate's mind. Governor Reagan's replies deceptively agreeable. but the replies are clearly his own. He has a much better grasp of detail, and particu-larly of statistical detail, than had supposed. He gave a thorough reply, for instance, to a question on the falling level a question on the ra of American savings.

He said that the rate of saving had been falling for 30 years, that the Japanese rate was no less than seven times the American, and the German three times. No doubt the subject has come up before, and he has a specific proposal to encourage savings, which is to exempt savings bank interest from income tax. Yet on this and other questions he showed considerable precision of statement.

The other point which sur-prised me was that the questions d the answers were so similar to British experience. Energy, inflation, savings, defence, social service scroungers, are all ques-tions which arise in British poli-tics. The answers which Governor Reagan gave were also very much in line with British Conservative answers. On inflation, his first step would be to freeze new hiring of federal civil sortest the step would be to be to freeze new hiring of federal civil sortest. vants. He would reduce bureau-cracy by transferring pro-grammes back to the states. He believes in raising productivity by raising incentives. He wants to protect people who are being pushed into higher tex brackets

William Rees-Mogg, in Chicago, watches the Republican front runner who must persuade voters that he is not a second Goldwater

like protecting your virtue, you have to learn to say 'no'."

The general fear in Britain, and in about two-thirds of the United States, is that Governor Reagan is some sort of wild extremist. On domestic policy he is no more, and no less, extreme than Mrs Thatcher, at least on the evidence of this meeting. Those who regard Mrs Thatcher as a dangerous extremist will, course, regard Mr Reagan as one. But those who regard Mrs Thatcher's policy as a legitimate and rational Conservative option should, I think, take the same view of Governor Reagan, In foreign policy, he believes in peace through strength, and argues that Russian aggression has been encouraged by American defense argues. That can defence weakness. That, too, is a view of the world not unlike Mrs Thatcher's.

There were indeed points at which his replies were moder-ate when he could have picked up a round of applause by taking a more sharply conser-vative line. He was asked about people on unemployment benefit who turn down the offer of jobs. He went into some detail jobs. He went into some detail to explain the welfare trap in which unemployed men, particularly with big families, can actually lose money if they take a job. He thought they rould not be blamed for saying, "I can't afford to take a job, I can't afford to do this to my family." He blamed the system, not the 'individual. not the individual.

I came away from the lunch reassured about the prospect of a Reagan candidacy, which,



whatever the outcome of the Illinois primary, is now nearly a certainty. In British terms Mr Reagan is an orthodox conservative, not particularly extreme, certainly not an intellectual, but a reasonable man, with an agreeable campaign style, humerous and probably rather sancr than most candi-dates. He is rather too defensive about minor points of criticism, and overdid his explanation of his experience as Governor of California, Whether his conservative poli-cies can be made to work in the United States, or indeed whether Mrs Thatcher's will work in Britain, is still an open question, I elected. Governor Reagan's chance of economic success is probably greater than Mrs Thatcher's, because the American enonomy is much stronger than the British.

On the Saturday morning I had been to a much more dramatic meeting, given in a large church, once a synagogue, on Chicago's South Side, the black area. The meeting was held by Mr Jesse Jackson, who was on the balcony with Martin Luther King when he was assassinated. His organization

is called "Push", and it is devoted to black self-advancement. He had invited Mr John Anderson to address it, and as a Republican candidate in the primaries. Mr Anderson may well win in Illinois, but saving a miracle he cannot get enough delegates to match Mr Reagan at the convention. The main speaker was the Vice-President, Mr Walter Mondale,

The warm-up speeches, mainly from black candidates, and the choirs, including the South Side Catholic black choir singing "Young, Gifted and Black", were very moving. It is impossible to attend such an occasion without great sympathy for the struggle of black people for their place in American society. Mr Jesse Jackson is himself a brilliant speaker, much given, like Governor Reagan, to one-liners, though his are more moralistic. He emphasized "the correlation" emphasized "the correlation between discipline and success" and said: "Do not give any politician a vote he has not earned." He wants to build up black electoral power to help black causes.

Mr Anderson did not seem to be winning many black votes. He is a strong speaker, in a preaching style, with a good voice and an emphatic manner. He failed, however, to reach a good relationship with his audience. He started with a long quotation from a black judge which implied that he was walking with destiny. It may merely be a trick of charm, but I much preferred

approach to his own candidacy to Mr Anderson's apparent belief that he has God as his campaign manager. It seemed the 2,000 blacks felt some of the same reservations. Mr Anderson applauded when he stood up, and hardly applauded at all, when he sat down. "A new politics", he said "is struggling to be born." Perhaps

Vice-President Mondale was a very different and much more very different and much more sympathetic speaker. He reminds one of a younger Hubert Humphrey, who came from the same state, Minnesota, and was indeed his first political patron. The President's rose-garden strategy has kept the President in the rose garden and sent out the Vice-President to battle for the Vice-President to battle for them both in the primaries. He has done so well that, Kennedy or no Kennedy, he must himself be a very strong prospect for the Democratic nomination in

Mr Mondale made specific claims suited to his audience, President Carter has, he said, appointed more black judges than all previous presidents put together. He went on to make more idealist claims, including one in which, I think, there is some truth. "The United States was seen as a cynical, uncaring, manipulative nation—that has been turned around." It seems to me that President Carter is indeed seen as an idealist by the rest of the world. When Mr Mondale went on to say. We have experienced and compassionate leadership, leadership that has proven itself", the word "compassion-

ste" rang true, the word
"proven" did not.
In today's Illinois primaries,
Mr Anderson should do well:
he attracts independents and the young, and he is the local candidate. That will not pre-vent Governor Reagan reaching the Republican convention with,

Bernard Levin

in all probability, a handsome heartland that he surplus of votes over the bare second Goldwater, an majority required to nominate. to be feared, but a m That is the arithmetical truth which former President Ford recognized in deciding not to enter the race.\* 😘

President Carter will almost certainly win the Democratic certainly win the Democratic primary in Illinois, though the inflation policy is not popular, and Senator Kennedy seems to be recovering support in the final days. It is still theoretically possible for Senator Kennedy to win the nomination, but he is not trusted, even by those who share his views and Presiwho share his views, and President Carter will probably win. A Carter-Reagan race is there-fore nearly a certainty. To win, President Carter has

to retain the confidence he still enjoys, but he has to do that in the face of rising inflation and rising interest rates, un-doubtedly a most damaging economic record. At present he would still win, for he would still carry the industrial heartof America, as well as most of his native south. He also still has the benefit of national unity over the Teheran hostages.

To win, Governor Reagan has to persuade the electors of the or affaid of the Reag

responsible-conservati is a conservative mo country, and he is

I do not know if he come the fear the per When I was in the California and Utah that Mr Reagan was n a romantic hero, but s supported on his co views, and was not fe by his political oppo-tween Salt Lake City I lows, the town of } University, I found shift of view To a westerners Governor does indeed seem a man. As one lows a said to me : "I think the worst president in but I don't think I c

for Reagan".
I would not be so President Carter's reco is a mixed one, but am not afraid of Mr R seems a perfectly bo tion, however, will pr-decided on whether ;

### Clothing grants for children and help with fuel bills for about 10,000 pensioners and disabled rcople will be withdrawn this November unless the Government announces changes today when the Social Security Bill has its report stage in the Commons.

Those are some of the changes proposed under the Bill as it stands. The aim is to re-duce substantially the amount of discretion in the supplementary benefits scheme, which has led to exceptional needs payments becoming so common that they can no longer be reason-ably described as "excep-

For example, 370,000 such payments were made in 1966, or 15 per cent of the total number of cases on the supplementary benefits books. By 1975, the number of payments had in-creased to 945,000 and the pro-portion to 34 per cent. Last year, there were 1,199,000 pay-

ing on them for long periods to save enough to replace major frems, such as furniture, cloth-ing for growing children, and household equipment. But it also reflects pressure from the poverty lobby to extend discretionary payments.

Because social security staff

have toral discretion in awarding or refusing exceptional needs payments wide variations have grown up in different areas. Officers in Glasgow and other industrial cities with large

working class populations are more likely to be generous than those dealing with a much more mixed population.

Commission, which is being abolished by the BIH, believes that the growing use of dis-cretion has led to considerable difficulties for local staff in dis-

The Bill proposes that exceptional needs payments will be governed by strict regulations, partly the accepted fact that supplementary benefit rates are too low to allow people described by strict regulations, which are still being drafted. Although Mr Patrick Jenkin, Secretary of State for Social decisions on grants for clothing and shoes have not yet been made, the areas the regulations will cover suggest that they will be severely restricted. The Child Poverty Action Group, which points out today that 392,000 payments were made for clothing and shoes in 1978, is urging the Government to consult widely before final-

izing the new regulations.
At present the Government

# cuts in special grants

The Supplementary Benefits

proposes to stop making excep-tional needs payments to people

# Fears of

criminating between cases with-out using moral judgments.

# not receiving supplementary benefit. That, however, might be considered too drastic a

mentary benefit level. below the long term rate which will be paid after one year in-stead of two under the terms of the Bill.

abled people would lose any right to needs payments unless the Government decides to change the Bill. The review of ments should be limited people entitled to benefit, instead of to anyone not in full triction: to those actually re ceiving supplementary benefit.

Supplementary Benefits Commission insists that the change from a totally discretionary system to one operating on precise regulations is not an attempt to cut the number of exceptional needs payments. There is no provision for saving on them in the financial memor-

Pat Healy | Bailey published a vast scholarly edition of the Atticus letters a decade or so ago;

change, particularly when a sig-nificant number of disabled people and pensioners now re-caive the payments although they do not draw supplementary benefit.

Both groups are, in fact, en-titled to supplementary benefit but instead claim other benefits. They include a large number of retirement pensioners who are better off claiming rent and rate rebates on top of their pensions, instead of supplementary benefit. There are also a number of disabled or chronicsick people claiming invalidity pensions, whose rates are above the basic supple-

About 10,000 elderly and disthe supplementary benefits scheme recommended that pay benefits time work, as at present. But the Bill proposed a tighter res-

andum to the Bill.

But the CPAG and other groups fear that a cut is pre-cisely what will result if the regulations are drawn up with no outside advice. They will be taking part in a lobby at the Commons today organized by the National Campaign Against Social Security Cuts.

Having mixed thoughts about Cicero he has recently followed this are had Cicero's very house with a translation of the rest of pulled down. It is impossible Cicero's extent correspondence; not to sympathise with Cicero The Cicero problem is a very intractable one. In essence. true, it is simple, and can be reduced to a single question. The trouble, however, is that the question is almost impossible

to unswer. It is: do we like him or do we not?
The question must be kept carefully distinct from others that present themselves, and that on a cursory inspection seem to be the same, or at any rate indissolubly linked. Thus: do we trust him? I think we certainly do. Do we wish to sit mext to him at dimner? On the whole, I think we do not. Was he, on balance, a Good Thing? Surely yes. But do we like him i Do we warm to him? Do we sympathize with his predicament and his weaknesses, do we cheer him on ogainst Catiline or Clodius, do we feel involved with him, do we, when his slave

may drop round, immediately experience a sensation of pleasure and anticipation? I really do not know, and my doubts are not, as they would be in the case of many another man, tantamount to an answer in the negative; without actually having had the benefit of a first-hand acquaintance with him, I think it is impossible to say for certain whether I like him or not. And the question has presented itself to me very directly because I have just read Professor D. R. Shackleton Bailey's complete translation of Cicero's letters. These are divided into his letters to Atricus (which was strictly a nickname, derived from the Phil-hellenism of Cicero's friend and

correspondent, who was born Titus Pomponius), and his let-

ters to his other friends and his family. Professor Shackleton Bailey published a vast

delivers a note asking if he

both sets of letters have now been published in three volumes in the Penguin Classics; I have just read the lot; and I still do not know whether I like Cicero r whether I don't.
If I do not, it is not for lack

material or interpretation of it. There are 909 letters in all correspondence of any other figure of classical antiquity indeed, fifteen conturies were to elapse before a greater epistolary vein was mined, in the letters of Erasmus; the earliest dates from November 68, the last from July 43. Cicero was 38 when he wrote the first; the last was written five months bemath of Octavian's march on Rome and uneasy alliance with Antony and Lepidus. The editing is throughout a model of sympathetic yer rigorous scholarship; Professor Shackleton Bailey even corrects Cicero's misjudgments when there is evidence that they were baseless, and his three comprehensive glossaries, of persons, places and terms, almost hut not quite make up for the lack of an

indez. But I still do not know whether I like Cicero. Para-doxically, I like him when I leave my emotions out of consideration. He took on the unspeakable Clodius (the one who infiltrated the sacred feminine rites in Caesar's own house) for the same reason that he took on Catiline; they were both dangerous blackguards and deserved to be driven from Rome.
Unfortunately, the delicate belance of power when it came to
Clodius was suddenly tilted against Cicero, and it was he who had to flee the capital, while the triumphant degenerthroughout the struggle, nor to rejoice when he is re-enfran-chised, compensated and—uitimately—revenged. But I am nagged by a feeling that my sympathy is derived from the fact that Cicero in this matter was a victim of injustice, rather

was a victim or injustice, rather than from a true fellow-tecling.
And there is, undentably, much to be said on the other side. Cicero's best friend (Atticus, I take it) could hardly deny that there is a sense of self-satisfaction about him that unappealing:

felt to be a highly impressive but lent it my eloquence.... But there was the gravest danger of a complete break between Senste and Knights.

mood . . , The tone, even down to that

mock-deprecating qualification ("in a not very respectable cause"), is that of Macaulay, and I am perfectly certain that I don't like him. Moreover, there is a coldness about Cicero, an air of feeling nothing but the correctness of certain emotions at certain times, that makes me uneasy. There is a letter from Servius Sulpiclus Rufus to Cicero, telling in the sparsest language of the murder by a madman of a mutual friend of theirs. It includes virtually nothing but the facts.

but it has a directness and simplicity that make it more moving than anything I could feel from Cicero's side of any of the correspondence. His political caution, it seems to me, was another side of his personal alcofness; he tried to pondents to fill in the remain on good terms with is one of the many most of the factions (except Professor Shackleton Antony's) as the Republic editing that he externmined, and his skill in doing enormous proportion to so was matched by his skill in keeping his deeper emotions

I happened to be absent when the decree was voted . . I administered what I rebuke to the Senate, speaking with no little weight and pêctable cause . . . and I have not only borne with it

. . . Here again it was I who stepped into the breach. Through my efforts they found the Senate in full attendance and in generous

concented to such an extent, indeed, that it is difficult to resist the conclusion that he

And yet there is much on the other side. He was devo-

tedly loyal to his friends, his allies and his political patrons; that I would have lik he was a brilliantly evocative. I had done so, I comfe parliamentary reporter (his accounts in these letters of the speare shared my unt Senate's proceedings are at Cicero, in his only set times positively Hansardian in their completeness); he was clearly a true repository of Roman honour; though a dangerous foe, he was not on the whole vindictive - even in exile, he is contemptuous of Clodius rather than full of hate for him, and his account of his restoration to position and for-tune is remarkably free of raucour or gloating; he was alert and alive to the last, inquisitive and receptive; he was certainly brave; he is never boring, at ony rate in his letters (I have the feeling that his speeches would have been another mat-ter); he was obviously a superb lawyer, though some say that that is not in itself the very highest praise one man can

bestow on another. I would very much like to have known him, and this is a conclusion I have come to after reading his correspondence. There is no reason to suppose that he had any thought of pub-

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# Nourishing food for thought

I must admit that when I re-ceived an invitation to meet the Venezuelan Minister of State for the Development of Human Intelligence at the House of Commons last Friday, my first reaction was that someone was playing a joke.
In fact. Dr Luis Machado.

a cabinet minister in the Christian Democratic government which came to power last year, is a serious and com-mitted politician who believes that human intelligence is the world's most important, and under-exploited, natural resource.
In his words: "If it is possible to develop everyone's in-

telligence systematically, and I am convinced that it is possible, then we have the biggest revolution in history on our hands. Understanding of science is then no longer the privilege of a minority but the Dr Machado is in London to publicise the English transla-tion of his book, The Right to he Intelligent, which is being published by Mr Robert Max-

intelligence is not a matter of beredity and can only be developed through education. In his year in office, he has made an impressive start on practising what he preaches. Mothers of new-born babies, members of the armed forces

well's Pergamon Press. In the

book he argues strongly that



and public service workers in Venezuela are all now receiving lessons in developing their intelligence. Dr Machado has also succeeded in getting the right to think added to the United Nations charter of human rights.

The Venezuelan programme uses the techniques developed by Dr Edward de Bono, the British expert in lateral thinking and director of the Cogni-tive Research Trust. Dr de Bono is delighted that Vene-

### zuela is the first country in the world to put the subject of thinking on to the school curriculum. He would dearly like to see a similar programme adopted in Britain but accepts that there might be resistance here to the idea of a minister of intelligence or thinking with its 1984 ish connotations.

Certain aspects of Dr Machado's approach might well appeal to Mrs Thatcher, how-ever. "He provides an answer to Marxist ideology", suggests Robert Maxwell. "If individuals can be taught to develop their intellectual ability to resolve their problems, they no longer need to look blindly to a collective body ".

Perhaps we can expect to see some appropriately intellectual Tigure translated to this interesting new post in the next cabinet reshuffle.

If Sherlock Holmes's fictional residence at 221B Baker Street had ever existed it would pre-sumably be commemorated by a plaque somewhere on the south slopes of Ahhey House, the headquarters of the Ahhey National Building Society. The society wants to replace the undistinguished 1930-ish halding with what will presumably be an equally undistinguished 1980-ish building. Local resi-dents are arguing that the redevelopment will be a woste of scarce funds which would otherwise he available for mortgages and that the society, which ought to know better, has failed to consult them. Curious, is it not, Wotson:

### Hats of

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The photograph below, which shows Miss Susan Charman, an undergraduate at St Hugh's College, chronicles a small revolution that has just taken place at Oxford. It is only in the last three weeks that female memers of the university have been allowed to discard their traditional soft caps (described by Miss Charman as "like dead pancakes") and wear mortar boards.



Susan Charman, mortar board pioneer

The decision to change the rules about academic headgear has been taken because Oxford is about to have its first female proctor. Miss Theodora Cooper, dso from St Hugh's. As all Oxonians know the main func-tion of proctors is constantly to doff their caps at degree ceremonies. Realizing the difficul-ties of doffing dead pancakes. the Vice Chancellor has decreed that Miss Cooper and all others of her sex may now wear mortar boards, or square caps as they are technically described. all formal academic occa-

Sions. Miss Charman, who is in her second year, is delighted by the ruling and is looking forward to wearing her morter board when she takes her final examinations next year. She ought to be warned, however, that in his official announcement the Vice Chancellor made clear that femule members of the univer-sity would be expected "to ob-serve the customs associated with the westing of soft caps", an ominous plurase which baffles both me and the university's

information officer, At Cambridge, women have had the right to wear mortar boards for a long time, but they are seldom seen on the heads of undergraduates. Unlike at Oxford, students are not required to dress up in sub jusc to take exams, and at degree coremonies they are simply told to carry their caps by their left

They still take sartorial matters seriously in the Fens. however. Apparently if any girl is spouted at a degree ceremony without her cap or wearing im-proper attire like boots, the praelector of her college has to offer a bottle of port to the

### Juiet waters

Reassuring news from our Royal Navy diving team investigating reports that the waters around Sullom Voe oil terminal in Shetland might conceal

unexploded have surfaced with more sinister than a co of old beer tins, a paid and a bag of cement.

During the war Sullo was a base for RAF busts. One aircraft which are its moorings was thut have been armed with 250lb bombs. When that I known, other wartime to the Voe surfaced and a team led by Lieutenant mander John Beichamber to investigate. They local sunken flying boat but it

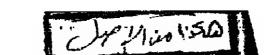
Hardly were their suits dry, however, who shipping off Sherland alerted to look out for a on the loose which has sported by a trawler. Shetland tracked down regue explosive and found was a harmless pr model.

No one is watching the

No one is watching the Monday evening comedy? Yes Minister more attent than Mr Paul Charnon, ster of State at the Civil vice Department. Every Twomorning, I am reliably formed, he delights his sofficials by referring to collectively as Sir Humpthe name of the experie permanent secretary at permanent secretary al-Department of Administr Affairs ground whose rela-with his new minister

series is bused.

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# D FOR ZIMBABWE

butting Zimlabwe's needs d before Lold Carrington he British government, is a national feeling that, ng Mr Mugaje's concilia-nd commonshingcal deciupon taking tip the rship, Britain should be generous upon a scaleould ensure thatZimbabwe

ver social charges may be ered by the net regime)
y remains in the western
The strategy is sound; but is economically and ally in no position to put nore than a modest tontrito an international iffort. is here at stake, and it is ant to understand the and processes involved. ady would wish to wthhe first aid that a wared country requires in the iate aftermath it is technical Having spec 30 million on staging at n which has chabled the s of Zimbabwe to choose ulers and so end the civil t is unquestionably right Britain should agree to ts for personnel and experintegrate the once warting because success in so will obviate any immediate of another conflict break-

the army is to symbolize

oames has very properly as a peacetime establishment may need some new equipment, but the country is awash with arms, and presumably there is no intention to prepare it for anything more than a defensive and security role.

First aid is needed to achieve two other desiderata. One is the resertlement of the refugees from the war on their old, or on new, farmland. This is a matter, in terms of external aid, of transport, housing, medical aid, and other ingredients of normal and well-understood "disaster aid". Britain can afford to supply personnel and finance some supplies for this purpose.

The other need, and it is urgent, is the provision of employment. Continued largescale unemployment will be destabilizing and prolong the banditry. Mr Mugabe must find jobs for his party henchmen and for those of his warriors who do not stay in the new army: he will have to cut into white employment in some sectors to do so. But as he will be aware, most of the unemployed have to be absorbed by reviving industry, anufacturing mining, commerce and commercial (cash crop) ariculture.

t is difficult to see how Britain can assist very far in this latter protess. There will be talk of inveitment, standby credits, and ional unity on a new basis. international loans. What this we Zimbabwa army is also amounts to is underwriting employer, and jobs are Zimbabwe's budgetary deficit, a premium. So this is a and bilance of payments deficit. Investment. The new army until the country is paying its

way-which inherently it is capable of doing. But the sum involved is not yet known, though the aid mission which Sir Ian Gilmour promises may identify it. It is sure to be beyond Britain's ability to meet singlehanded: it amounts to paying for those of Zimbabwe's urgent imports which Zimbabwe cannot pay for-and even if Britain put up all or some of the money to finance such "unrequited exports", it is doubtful if British industry could supply all the equipment. To put up British foreign exchange to enable Zimbabwe to buy elsewhere simply adds to our present difficulties -and inflation. The days when we could subsidize an economy like Malawi's, even, are over.

Mr Mugabe has shown his sensitivity to Zimbabwe's credit rating by promising to service its legitimate debts. He is wisc, for the only source of sizable standby credits and soft loans would seem to be from the international institutions, at least initially. Whether they can move fust enough is a question. It is no part of Britain's obligations to guarantee those bonds which during UDI became speculative counters. What is needed is a swift practical analysis, and an international programme based on it And here Britain, which had primary responsibility for the constitutional moves to bring Zimbabwe into being, can play a leading diplomatic role organizing support for economy.

### CARTER'S ATTACK ON INFLATION

int Carter's package of tic measures are sinted at ng price stability within ited States rather than imthe foreign exchange n of the dollar. Yet it is in Opreign exchange markets hey have received their st welcome. The dollar lay continued the advance foreign exchange markets it has been making in reeks. Yet in New York the, udgment seems to have ae of some caution.

views are right. The latest an measures are likely to heir most immediate imi the international scene, they should make a ant contribution to the down of world inflation. ir impact on the American y is likely to be limited w to appear. It is underle that those in the States who have been disby the apparent unwillingthe Carter Administration the defeat of inflation at of its priorities should proof that a corner has

ırned: should not blind us to ct that President Carter t least seem to have come is with the need to restore mce both abroad and at n the worth of the dollar. ost immediate impact of

raise interest rates in the United States above even their present levels. The will lead to further inflows of funds seeking the higher yiells, inflows which can be expected to lead to an appreciation of the dollar against other currencies and against alternatives o paper money such as abid.

This will tend to reduce many of the inflationary pressures which have seen building up within the word economy. It is clear that the reation of credit within the United States has been far too raid over the past year. This has not merely had an effect on American inflation rates. It has also uelled a wholly unhealthy increase in speculative demand for commodities, espec-ially metals. The President's action will reduct this speculative pressure and thus help the fight against inflaion throughout the world.

The latest measures are but the final touches is a series of actions which have been taken since October to tinten credit' conditions in the Utited States. They have forced theother main industrial countries to follow with similar credit ightenings of their own to preven a dramatic collapse in the value of their currencies. Although here has been no conscious decision by the nations of the West, they have all been forced in adoptest measures will be to ling an anti-inflationary nonetary

policy in line with the American

example. The Administration has now shown that it is willing to adapt its fiscal policies to the needs of that monetary stance. The commitment to balance the budget is hedged around with all the qualifications which must be implied in a society where there is a separation of powers between the executive and the legislature. Nevertheless, it is an act of some political courage in an election year. The Administration is accepting the short term inflafionary consequences of putting an extra tax on oil and the political consequences of cutting public spending. It does these things in the full knowledge that its ection increases the risks that there will be a severe recession in the immediate future.

Yet those risks must be borne if the inflationary psychology which has gripped the United States is to be exorcized from the country's economy. The new measures will not bring inflation down rapidly. Yet those who believe that price stability is the most important economic target a government can pursue would be wise to refrain from overhasty criticism because of that. Inflationary pressures have been allowed to build up over many years in the United States. For the first time, we may have the basis of a policy which will push them back.

These conflicting pressures

make uncertainty and poor

morale the normal condition of

the council's staff. Should they

try to be less elitist, and further

reduce their spending (now about a third of the total) on

the big national musical and theatrical institutions? Or should

they foster the metropolitan best

and let the regions look after

themselves? Should they respect

popular taste and restrict the

already small share of their

support that goes to experi-mental work? Financial string-

ency almost inevitably imposes a move away from experiment: already the council has decided

to replace a series of concerts

of modern music at the Royal

Festival Hall this spring with a

more familiar programme. But

in fact the diversity of the Arts

Council's patronage is a sign of

good health. In our own time

more than any other, there is no

common agreement about the

right form, for the arts or the

right manner in which they

should make contact with every-day life. A council that is not dominated by any particular interest and backs the borses it

fancies as far as a tight budget

permits, probably serves as well

as any.

### R BACKING FOR THE ARTS

the climate of the times. John-Stevas has done well Arts Council. The level nt assigned to it in the year approximately offhe general increase in in. In practice, the grant e effect of a small cut, a the council begins the al year with larger outig commitments than usual a mid-season cut in this grant made by the present iment on taking office), cause there is little scope arts for saving in manthe head under which cise fastest. Like many a mion, the council was putabout last year that it need more than 20 per cent level in real terms next

ouncing the grant, Mr St tevas urged commercial its to do more to patronize s. Sponsorship has been an singly valuable source of t in recent years. But in ure it is an unpredictable regular aid, and tends to ly to the more dignified of scrivity. In aggregate, lever likely to amount to than a-small proportion of

most outsiders, the only ant difference between the

ands of religious organization.

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nors are our and take and no outsiders, the latter probdo more harm than the inrough their great the in education, broadcasting,

ess, morality and law.

for everyone, any proposal rict the activity of minority us organizations should be

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cory and which was weakened-

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public support, itself ow in Britain compared to most similar countries. Some sections of the Conservative Party have doubts about the very lies of state support for an sethetic quango, but the council's siministrative costs are low (at the per cent of the total), and its unduly elaborate structure of advisory committees has recently under-

gone drastic pruning.
The award will allow the council to continue its operations in much the same way is at present, though some enterpises which have been just strugiling along with its support will no doubt fail to survive anoher year. Some observers may be disappointed that the award toes not force the council to make the kind of harsh reappraisal of obligations that major cuts would require. Ever since its incepton. ir has been criticized for lacking a policy, in the sense of a distinct idea of what kind of art it exists to promote. Thise criticisms are often linked to calls for greater democracy in meant either more influence for vested interests, such as poets and actors, or for more or less political interests, such as the trade unions.

### system in which any kind of orgiti-zation is restricted by anything much than the basic rules of a pluralist ection of souls Mr Nicoles Walter

nur Religious Affairs Corres-Surely a more sensible ides would be to put all religious organizations on the same legal basis as each other and as all other organizations. Then truth and falsehood couldn't last grapple in a free and own. it contrasts proselytizing cults churches and denominations, intriders various ways of of the latter (March 10).

encounter. NICOLAS WALTER Rationalist Press Association, 88 Islington High Street, NL

### Derelict land

From Dr. Andrew H. Dawson. Sir, Professor Chisholm has drawn attention again (March 5) to the ampty land in our cities. He proposed that owners of such land should be taxed, and thus encouraged to redevelop it.

Would this be effective? Mitch of the land belongs to local authori-T in this country for most of ties and in some cities most of its and which was weakened falls in this category. It is likely venturies of bitter struggle. That any tax on such authorities really want to go back to a.

ratepayers. At a time when some of the largest manufacturing firms in Edinburgh are warning that substan-tial increases in the rates may curtail their plans for expansion it may be optimistic to suppose that Pro-fessor Chisholm's suggestion would encourage the economic regenerahand, it may not be possible for authorities such as Glassow to accelerate their housing redevelopment plans in order to avoid the tax without exposing some of the city's peripheral housing estates to even greater problems of undereccupation and dereliction than they face at

Rather than encourage any further growth of tax collecting should local authorities not cut the costs of redevelopment by giving away their land to those who are prepared to accept the challenge of moving back into our urban wastelands? Yours faithfully, ANDREW H. DAWSON, Department of Geography.

The University,

St Andrews.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Propaganda and the Olympics

From Mr Arthur Koestler Sir, May I suggest that the BBC show one of the excellent filmed reports of the 1936 Nazi Olympiad in Berlin for the benefit of those innocents who still maintain that sporting events have no political propaganda value.

ARTHUR KOESTLER, 8 Montpelier Square, SW7.

Yours.

From Professor Sir Cecil Parrott Sir. Some of your readers may not be aware that the Eastern European press gives wide coverage daily to the protests made by some Western Olympic athletes or officials against the proposed boycott. It is even claimed that in some cases dissent-ing athletes have deliberately sent copies of their letters or articles to the Soviet press itself. Thus through-out Eastern Europe such athletes have become unwittingly—and I 'ear sometimes wittingly—front-line runners in propagands for the Soviet Union and everything hateful connected with it in an area where the inhabitants live in a state of

Yours faithfully. CECIL PARROTT, The Old Vicarage, Abbeystead, Lancaster. March 13,

### From Mr John A. Murphy

From Mr John A. Murphy
Sir, Prior to the last general election, Prime Minister-elect Thatcher was telling us that freedom of choice for the individual was an essential of the British way of life.

I presume this is still the same today, with the exception of those potential Olympic athletes and Olympic travellers who happen to be employed by the Civil Service or the Armed Forces.

Yours faithfully.

Yours faithfully, JOHN A. MURPHY. 73 Elm Drive, North Harrow, Middlesex. March 12.

> From Mr J. M. Bouse Sir, Are the athletes in fayour of participating in the Moscow Olympic Games, the British Government's dissidents?

Yours faithfully, J. M. BOUSE. Cowley. March 12.

### Christians in Africa From the Bithop of London and

Sir. We have heard with distress

and surprise that Bishop Desmond Tutu's passport has been withdrawn by the South African authorities, and we would like to know why.

He is known to each of us; he is highly respected internationally as a man of integrity.

An act of this sort can only damage the South African Government of the south African Government.

ment's standing in the world, and barticularly among Christians in England where Bishop Tutu is so well known Yours faithfully,

GERALD LONDIN.
ERIC ABBOTT.
ROBERT BELLEY.
ROBERT BELLEY.
ROWALD BROWNRING WARGH. RONALD BROWNRING MARCH.
CHRISTOPHER EVANS MAURICE NORVIC,
SYDREY M. EVANS.
DAVID GUILDFORD.
-JOHN HERETORD.
LLIZABETH
JOHNSTON.
MARTIN KENYON.
HARNAR STANTON.
HOTDIALE LA MERET MARTIN KENYON.

IVCIALE LAMBERT. JOHN WINTON.

KENNETH LICHTELD,

London House

Barton Street. Vestminster, SWL March 17.

### Islamic Cultural Centre From the Ambassudor of the Arab

Republic of Egypt Sir, David Watts's report "London Muslims in hitter dispute", published on Pebruary 18, has given the wrong impression and distorted the image of a distinguished Egyptian theologian and religious scholar, by name Dr Zuki Badawi, the Director of the Islamic Cultural Centre in London.

Furthermore, it has done some furthermore, it ness done some damage to the reputation of the Exprison theologians and Imams who are working with him at the centre, if not so the Exprison religious scholars in general. It is this fact which has impelled the Egyptian religious scholars and Imams working at the centre to call on me to clarify any confusion which me to clarify any confusion which might have arisen as a result of Mr Watts's report, in the minds of The Times's readers who are interested in Islam. Dr Radawi combines a distin-

guished and varied qualification with a rich experience which has made him keenly aware of the posi-tion of Muslims not only in the Arab world but also in Asia and Africa. When Egypt proposed the name of Dr Badawi to run the centre, its proposal was unanimously approved by the Council of Muslim Ambassa-dors in London, in choosing Dr Badawi and his Egyptian colleagues at the centre, Egypt aimed at serving the cause of laham and meeting the religious requirements of a large Muslim community who fortunately enjoy full freedom of worship in a country which has a rare and well known record of tolerance at all

Egypt is a founder member of the centre and it played the principal role in setting it up as a religious establishment subject to British laws. She still maintains her ownership of the land on which the centre was built in Regent's Lodge.

Egypt, which has provided the centre with religious Imams since its inception, will continue its support to the centre. She will always endeavour to help the centre to steer away from any political cur-rents or any subsidiary maners which would deflect it from ful-filling its noble task in the savvice Muslim community in the United Kingdom. Yours faithfully,

H. ABOU-SEÉDA, Embassy of the Arab Republic of Egypt 26 South Street, Wir

### BBC cuts: a question of priorities

From Professor Angus McIntosh Sir, For years now I have watched with admiration the profoundly important and growing contribution made by BBC Scotland through its television and radio school programmes. Some measure of the "official" reception to the

official reception to these is provided by the approbation of them by local educational authorities, one result of which is that Scottish schools are now probably the hest equipped in the world to receive and record such things. Teachers themselves have freely acknowledged the great value

of having these programmes at their professional disposal.

The schools department offers a wealth of programmes which have created as nothing else could an increased awareness of Scotland, us history and traditions, its literature and music, its languages and wars of speech. This has influenced nor only children but teachers, and not only teachers but many thousands of others in Scotland, to sav noth-

of others in Scotand, to say note-ing of all those Scots in England and oversers in whom these things lie near the heart. It is therefore with alarm that I now learn that BBC Scotland pro-poses in less than a month to cut by 25 per cent the modest 2 per cent of its resources at present allocated to these programmes and with total incredulity that it intends a year later to ccase to fund them at all, in contravention of the BBC charter itself.

Can it be that, though I have tried to obtain the true facts, I have been wildly misinformed? If not, I should be glad to hear, along with your thony Scattish readers everywhere the state of the state where, to say nothing of all others who care about education, some explanation of these unbelievable proposals. I hope that the Board of Governors will inform us (a) why BBC Scotland is, as it would appear, uniquely singled out for the withdrawal of foods. funds for schools broadcasting of its own creation, and (b) why there plans have been made (as I am told) without consultation with the Schools Broadcasting Councils and

against their views.

I shall be delighted if it turns out that, beneath their gruff exteriors, these latter-day hammers of the Scots have some even better alterna-tive educational programme in mind about which they are too modest to say anything. If it is not so, the disa-strous long-term results do not bear thinking about. Yours faithfully, ANGUS MCINTOSH,

32 Blacket Place, Edinburgh. March 7. From Mr Melvyn Bragg

Sir, The cuts which the BBC feels chilged to make are clearly harmful to interests—especially in music and education—which, ironically, it has served so well. The crucial point to be made however is not whether one cut is more valid than another but whether any of them should be necessary.

The cuts are being made because the BBC's licence fee has been allowed to lag behind its requirements. For over 50 years this unique method of funding as enabled the BBC to be popular, authoritative and the world loader in the making and broadcasting of quality programmes. Yet, ignoring all this, ignoring the fact that the public

### London medical schools

Sir. I feel compelled to make an immediate response to the report of the Flowers committee on Lon-

I am appalled at the suggestion in the roport that the Institute of Basic Medical Sciences should be

It is unlikely that the reason for the recommendation could be poor academic performance. The institute can show an excellent research record over its 29 years. Three members have been elected to the Royal Society during that time. The work of the institute has been internationally recognized in the fields of inflammation, arthritis, arterial thrombosis and asthma. Last Friday (March, 7), the BBC reported on television and radio the results of experiments carried out here at the Institute of Basic Medical Sciences in collaboration with Imperial College which have led to the latest

flict with one of the principles of a university, to encourage the development of original research.

It also seems unlikely that the reason for the committee's recommendation is financial. The Insulute of Basic Medical Sciences' share of the University Grants Committee money appropriated to London University, about £150m, is small (at present about £400,000; planned to.

seems to mind very little if the licence fee is raised, and ignoring the large place which relevision par-icularly has in the leisure of the majority in this country—successive governments have let the fee dwindle. Now it is inadequate and cuts must be made. Moreover, as it is dependent on Government's fancy, the ever-present political and party pressure must find a less sure

target in a dependent corporation. Richness and variety are threarened, therefore, and so is independence. All for want of a sensible increase in the fee and a proper index-linking which would take it cut of politics.

The licence fee holds the solution to the BBC's future. All the very understandable regret and resentment at the cuts would do well to focus on that-for by bringing the licence fee into line with needs and ensuring it stays there—all that is being cut now could be recovered. Yours sincerely. MELVYN BRAGG.

12 Hampstezd Hill Gardens, NW3.

### From Mr M. Weaver

Sir, As one of the ten million listeners to the "ephemeral and trashy" Radio One, I feel that I should clear up a few of the miscon-ceptions aired recently on this page by Raymond Fischer (March 5).

One of his suggestions was that Radin 1 and 2 should be amalgumated. This, fortunately is rendered impossible by the fact that the types of music placed by the two stations are as different as a Mozart quintet and The Archers: a difference which I am sure Mr Pischer will

Redio 1 plays a vital role in the culture of this country by enabling new, young British bands to play sessions or live tracks to a large, non-regionalized audience, which, by their very nature, local rad'n stations are not able to do, even if they had the resources. Rock and pop music is one of the few fields in which this country still influences the rest of the world, For example, at this very moment, a record by a British group is at the top of the American charts, while last year
Elton John had a sell-out tour in
the USSE. Por this to continue, it is
essential that, there is national
coverage of new trends in music.
Another point I would like to
make is that there is precious little

done nowadays to provide cultural facilities specifically for the grant majority of young neople who are not "into " Mozart. Dvořák or bingo. Here in Scotland there is only one venue at which major bands regularly play concerts, and at every performance which I have attended over the past four years, all 3,000 seats were sold and crowds were standing outside, often for hours, in an attempt to buy tickets for standing room. And vet, while cultural facilities for adults receive huge subsidies from the taxoayer (£3,000 week in the case of the Glasgow King's Theatre), the Glasgow Apollo is under threat of closure because

the owners are not making a profit. I do not expect Mr Ra-mond Fischer to appreciate our music, but please leave us the few opportuni-Yours faithfully. MARTIN WEAVER, 16 Ravelston Road,

be reduced to less than £200,000 by 1982-83). In addition the support in research grants from outside the

Bearsden,

### From Professor G. P. Lewis.

don medical education.

Basic Medical Sciences should be expelled from the university and that the established university and that the established university staff should be made to relinquish their university status. What is worse is that no reason is given for suggesting this unnrecedented step of dispensing with the services of over 50 university staff at the Institute of Basic Medical Sciences.

It is unlikely that the reason for the recommendation could be noor.

lege which have led to the latest break-through in the development of therapeutic agents to counteract asthma. To destroy an institute which is so productive of high quality research simply because it does not fit into a theoretical geographical pattern would not only be unjust but would be in direct conflict with one of the principles of a

university, expressed as a percentage of total income, is the second highest of all London medical schools (Flowers report) and is a measure of the quality of the re-search as judged by our scientific peers outside the institute. Furthermore, in 1978 the amount of these grants was over £200,000, which could be lost to the university in terms of "soft money". It follows therefore that in discarding the Institute of Basic Medical Sciences the university stands to lose money, not save it. That is, if research is still to be rogarded as a university function. The university thus has in the table in the same of the control of the con the Institute of Basic Medical Sciences an economically managed research centre of excellence. In addition the institute provides: training courses for up to 500 medi-

cal graduates who are preparing for specialization into disciplines such specialization into disciplines auch as surgery, amaesthetics, dentistry. Most of these graduates have received their undergraduate training abroad but are destined to join, or already serve, in our NHS hospitals. The Flowers committee have shown no sign of considering any of these attributes in arriving at their suggestion to "phase out" the Institute of Basic Medical Sciences. They did not even visit the institute They did not even visit the institute. In fact, it appears from the report that this one decision was made without any consideration at all. How many other recommendations have been made without due consideration?

In my opinion their recommenda-ion is irrational and unjust. Furthermore this example questions the credibility of the whole report, which should be rejected in toto. GRAHAM LEWIS.

Institute of Basic Medical Sciences, Royal College of Surgeons of England, 35-43 Lincola's Inn Fields, WC2. March 11.

no doubt that the substance of this

### Out in the open

From Mr Martin Smith

Sir, Your reporter, Peter Hennessy (Murch 13), has revealed the contents of a confidential document prepared for the Association of First Division Civil Servants (FDA) on open government, drafted by a team of three under the chalimanship of Mr Stephen Linstead. This report finds that the "Civil Service entitle probably live with a freedom could probably live with a freedom of information Act without too much difficulty .

Commenting on the FDA's decision not to make this document more widely available, Mr John Ward, the association's general secretary, is reported as saying that it was not a subject of overriding interest to members at the moment, as they are primarily concerned

with pay and pensions."

This decision is most regretable, Whatever the "overriding interest of FDA members, who are public servents, might be, there can be

tion of MPs and others. Surely this consideration takes precedence over the internal preoccupations of the FDA? Further debate on the merits of a statutory public right of access to official information, the principle of which is now supported by a wide range of organizations from the Law Society to the National Association of Cinzens Advice Bureaux, must be permitted to draw upon evidence supplied by civil servants themselves. The potential role of the FDA in this process is considerable. It is therefore greatly to be desired that the FDA will rethink its position a somewhat ironic one in the circumstances, and publish this important report at the earliest opportunity. Yours faithfully. MARTIN SMITH, 1 Grange Gardens,

Grange Road,

### Sessions in the smoke-filled rooms

From Sir Reginald Bennett Sir, I still have by me David Wood's great article on the "smoke-filled rooms" of Blackpool in October 1963. His article of today (March 10) contains much of the story of the manoeuvrings in the Macmillan

succession, tortuous as they were.

My own part, to which he refers, was to act as Macleod's eyes and ears and, in the smoke-filled room, butler of those "long thin scotches". Perhaps I might amplify from my own activities, or rather

passivities.

The news broke, as intended, on the evening of our arrival at Blackpool. There was a hizarre hunt through the town for my boss, who was due to address the Conserva-tive agents. From that moment the tension mounted.

On the Wednesday Muriel Bowen told me that her interview for the candidature at Morecambe and Lon-dale bad suddenly been but off. Taking this with Randolph Churchill's precipitate return from the United States to lead the "Ovintin" United Stares to lead the "Oumain campaign, is seemed clear that Lord Hailsham was going to renounce his title and throw his hat in the ring. So he did. But it soon became clear that Rab Butler's supporters and Ouintin's were each able to stop the other, yet insufficient to prevail for themselves, So there was a deadlack.

a deadlock.
At about this time I began to hear

At about this time I began to near mik of Alec Home; sporadically at first but then with increasing insistence. I reported this to lain. "There's a dark horse, and he's coming up the rails fast."
"Who?"
"Alec."

Don't talk nonsense." I'm not inventing this. I'm bearing it everywhere. I assure you. Absolute rot; it's not a pos-

But it's being said." "Quite impossible. I have heard him affirm caterorically that he was not a candidate." Maybe he isn't, or wasn't; but that doesn't say that he hasn't been

And so it happened. Iain had certainly been told, by me at least, but he was quite imprepared to

believe it.
More and more the reports came More and more the reports came in, and soon he and Reggie Maudling, partners in a non-aggression pact, simply had to take them seriously. Then followed the "smoke-filled room" session. The rest is history—or will be if enough of the dwindling bend of survivors reveal their knowledge in time. I have the honour to be. Sir. I have the honour to be, Sir, Paithfully yours. REGINALD BENNETT. 37 Cottesmore Court, W8.

### The welfare of the world From Mr Kyril Tidmarsh

Sir. Mr Edward Heath's argument about the lessons of Afghanistan und Turkey (March 12) is sound and now familiar.

By reacting rather than acting

by giving too little, the industriulized countries too often failed to help remedy the poverty and underdevelopment which are the root cause of instability in so many cveloping countries. However, there is another point.

there is another point.

It is not only a question of inadequate growth and insufficient aid is dollar or sterling terms. The film of British aid to Afghanistan may indeed have been little for a country with a per caput income of 140 s year. But apart from more economic aid there is also the need to expect the developing countries. to oncourage developing countries to tackle those glaring inequalities between rich and poor which are probably as destabilising as the inadequacy of economic develop-

ment.
This kind of advice from the This kind of advice from the North is often painful. Put crudely it means telling the "baves" of the South, before it is too late, to distribute more to their "have nots" and to permit them to participate more in providing for their own needs. It does not help to make friends among those with wield the reins of power and wealth. Nonetheless such and opened and entragement. power and wealth. Nonetheless sur-good counsel and encouragement cannot be shirked, because what rankles with the poor of the earth is less the relative poverty of their countries as their own deprivation compared with the affluence they can see in the same village or street. can see in the same village or street.

A leading article in the Kabul Times of December 27 last year published in the midst of the well-known events, argued, "economic growth is important in meeting basic human needs—but not all-important: the question is more complex than that. Given the right priorities, poor countries can make progress in meeting non-material needs such as health education and participation right now. There is no reason to wait for significant economic growth before acting." It was a relevant point, echoing an International Labour Organization study, but made somewhat late in the day. Yours faithfully.

KYRIL TIDMARSH, Villa Malgré Tout, 1295 Mies, Switzerland. March 14.

### **Everest high-fliers** From Lord Bunt

Sir, in your newspaper today (March 11) my friend Dr Charles Warren asks what is the greatest altitude at which a bird has been seen. Since the context of his question was the current correspondence about victims of Everest, it may be of personal interest to your readers if I recall that, while members of the 1953 expedition were on the South Col in 1953 at about 8,000 metres, we were visited by a single chough. doubtless in search of food. I remember that this bird strutted around our tents with his beak wide open presumably because, like ourselves, he (or she—for the sexes are identical) was suffering

from apoxia. Sir Edmund Hillary reported having seen a flight of small birds crossing the summit ridge of Everest, at well over 8,500 metres-Yours truly. JOHN HUNT,

Royal Geographical Society. Kensington Gore, SW7.

# Guidelines on recommending deportation

Regina v Nazari and Others

Guidelines were laid down by the Court of Appeal for courts when making recommendations for deportation under section 6 of the Immigration Act, 1971. The court was giving judgment on appeals against sentence by four immigrations who had been convicted of or had pleaded guilty to, offences committed in the United Kingdom, and whose sentences included a recommendation for deportation.

LORD HISTICE LAWTON who

LORD JUSTICE LAWTON, who was sitting with Mr Justice Bore-ham and Mr Justice Comyn, said that the main submission on be-half of Fazlollah Nazari, an Iranian student sentenced for being an student sentenced for being concerned in the fraudulent evasion of the prohibition on importing opium, was that if he were sent back to fran he might have to face a court which would bave jurisdiction to pass a death sentence upon him.

Roban Dissanayake had pleaded guilty to manslaughter by reason of diminished responsibility to an indictment charging murder, and had been sentenced to five years. Joseph Fernandez, sentenced to 8 months imprisonment for consultative to rob and aggravated hurgiary, was Spanish, but he and his wife had lived in this country for many years. Although his property was not good, he was not a mainter; of the criminal classes, ite was a hard working man, his ten children and been born here. I should be the criminal classes, it was children and been born here. I should be the criminal state of the criminal classes. It was a hard working man, his ten children and been born here. I should be the than state, and they went to English schools. The court was satisfied Rohan Dissanayake had pleaded

that if he were deported his wife sider, as was said in Caird's case, would face a grave dilemma: whether a recommendation was whether to follow him to Spain, justified by the potential detriment to the country of the conchildren's future looked brighter. The general principle was laid down by Lord Justice Sachs in R v Caird (1970) 54 Cr App Rep 499, 510): "... there was also a recommendation for deportation ... the question for the court is whether the potential detriment to the court of the appellant!"

to this country of {the appellant} remaining here has been shown to be such as to justify the recom-mendation. [The court] desires to emphasise that the courts when considering a recommendation for deportation are normally concerned simply with the crime concerned and the individual's past record and the question as to what is their effect on the question of potential detriment just men-tioned."

tioned."

In their Lordships' judgment Parliament intended by section 5(1) and (2) that a proper and full inquiry should take place before a recommendation was made which was likely to result in a deportation order. It would be advisable for judges specifically to invite submissions on the question of deportation where there was the possibility that a recommendation would be made. It was not enough merely to add a sentence to a judgment.

The guidelines the court would

The guidelines the court would give were not rigid rules of law; there might be exceptions depend-

sider, as was said in Caird's case, whether a recommendation was justified by the potential detriment to the country of the continued presence of an offender. The United Kingdom had no use for criminals of other nations, particularly if they had committed serious crimes, or had long criminal records. The more serious the crime, or the longer the record, the more obvious it was that a recommendation should be made. On the other hand, a minor offence should not

should be made. On the other hand, a minor offence should not justify a recommendation, for example shoplifting. But, for the purpose of stressing that all the circumstances should be looked at, a series of offences might turn a minor matter into something which would justify the making of a recommendation, and even a first offence of shoplifting might justify deportation if a might justify deportation if a gang were involved who intended carrying out planned raids on departmental stores.

departmental stores.

Secondly, the courts were not roncerned with the political systems in operation in other countries. The court had no knowledge of such matters, and it would be wholly undestrable if any court expressed its views of regimes prevaking in other countries. It was for the Hone Secretary to decide waking in other countries. If was for the Home Secretary to decide whether returning an offender to his country of origin would have unduly harsh consequences.

As to Nazari, it might be that the regime in Iran would be unfair the Meether that would be unfair.

ing on the evidence. to him. Whether that would con-firstly, the court must con-

came for him to be released, the court was sure that the Home Secretary would bear in mind the. vers matters the court was con-certed should be considered, namely, whether it would be un-duly barsh to send him back to

In the case of a short sentence, however, a court might have to make up its mind whether to make a recommendation, and if it were satisfied, on the evidence, that it would be unduly harsh to return an offender to his country of origin, then the court might feel impelled, in fairness to the accused, not to recommend deportation. That would depend on the evidence and the circumstances. Again, it was not a rigid rule, but in general, political considerations were inappropriate considerations for the courts. a recommendation, and if it were

Finally, it was proper for the court to consider the effect of a recommendation for deportation upon others not before the court. The courts had no wish to break The courts had no wish to break up families or to impose hardships upon those innocent of crimes. The case of Fernandez illustrated that clearly. His wife was a credit to herself and a good citizen of this country. If her husband were deported, she would have a heart-rending choice to make. In the light of those considerations, the court would quash the recommendation for deportation. The other appeals against the recom-

# Law Society indemnity scheme not invalid

Swain and Another v Law Society Sefore Mr Justice Slade

Section 37 of the Solicitors Act, 1974, compowers the Council of the Law Society to make rules requiring the society to take out and maintain insurance with insurers.

The Solicitors Act, 1974, made provision for a compulsory properties on invalid.

The Solicitors' Indemnity Rules, 1975-1979, under which the Solicitors' Indemnity Rules, 1975-1979, under which the Solicitors' Indemnity Insurance scheme was introduced, were not invalid.

The society was not bound to actiount to either of the plaintiffs, Mr James Midwood Swain and Mr Alan Stephen McLaren, two practising solicitors, for any part of ruy commission received by it or by its subsidiary. Law Society Services Ltd, in respect of premiums paid by individual solicitors pursuant to the scheme.

Since the action was not representative, the fudge declined to make a declaration that the olicitors Indeemity and to sentence with any relevant insurance as soon as they fell was a solicitor to make a declaration in respect of the commission received that the drastic nature valid or a wider declaration in respect of the commission received that the wording of the powers against the wording of the powers against the society and to issue to solicitors certificates of insurance; Solicitors to whom the rules applied should pay premiums paid to the Master of the Law insurance as soon as they fell due. Since September 1, 1976, the concepts as having become compulsory and another the society to withhold a practising for a practising certificate of insurance as having become compulsory and indemnity rules which the council might see fit to make in the legislature councement that the society, in matering into an agreement for a due. Since September 1, 1976, the concepts the rules, and agreement the society and required revery solicitor to whom the rules applied to produce a certificate of insurance as soon as they fell due. Since September 1, 1976, the conumber of the plaintiffs, for any part of rules which the council

It was common ground that the council's rule-making powers were to be found in section 37 (1) (2) and (3).

Unance scheme for solicitors who ished to obtain indemnity insurance against claims in research with the solicitors and the solicitors indemnity insurance against claims in research with the solicitors independent in the solicitors in the solicitor in the

Mr James Midwood Swain and Mr Alan Stephen McLaren, two practising solicitors, for any part of the legislature contemplated that the subsidiary, Law Society Services Ltd, in respect of premiums paid by individual solicitors pursuant to the scheme. Since the action was not representative, the judge declined to make a declaration that the olicitors indemnity Rules were of the sanction precedent to proper exercise of its statutory powers should be an inexcapable condition precedent to practise as a solicitor; but his Lordship necepted that the drastic nature of the sanction for non-compliance of the sanction for non-compliance of the commission received from premiums paid.

Mr Leonard Lewis, QC, and Mr Mortin Roth for the plaintiffs; Mr Robert Alexander, QC, and Mr Patrick Phillips for the Law Society.

insurance.

It had been argued against the Law Society that the proposed master policy as envisaged by the rules did not involve the "taking out" of any insurance within It was common ground that the council's rule-making powers were to be found in section 37 (1) (2) and (3).

On December 1, 1975 the council-made the Solicitors Indemnity Rules, 1975, Rule 2 provided that The Challenge to the validity of Law Society Services Ltd of com-

mission there had been a clear majority vote in favour of the insurance scheme, and the society had understood that the proposal that it should take commission had been endorsed.

The plantiffs had not been able to satisfy his Loroship that the society had been acting in breach of the rules, and he therefore had to consider the plaintiffs' submissions on the footing that the rules were valid but that an agent or trustee must account for profit obtained. If the society entered into the contract as trustee, then as soon as the contract had been concluded there existed a fiduciary relationship between the society and the solicitors. However, proof of a post-contract fiduciary relationship would not itself suffice to emitte the plaintiffs to invoke the equitable principle exemplified in Phipps v Boordman (11967) 2 AC 451. That had not been shown.

The society had been able to conclude an advantageous arrangement relating to commission because of the negotiation of the original contract with the in-

Furthermore, his Lordship saw no reason for presuming that the legislature contemplated that the society would be negotiating insurance in a fiduciary capacity, Solicitors; Lovell, Son & Pitfield for Pethybridges, Bodmin; Slaughter & May.

# **Fashion**

Prudence Glynn







they are take sor which is ranched or be procured, or in over a supply—sometimes to is going to stop over-reac the seal cull one presum as one presumes that time, somebody is go point out to the salon hunts with their gas car that gas is just what is a that gas is just what is a be used on poor Reynar, lair, unless he happens shot (probably misse creeping away to die grene) because his yworth £40 now in the black marker. black market

Anyway there is a lobby against real fur an bred a fine new stream sign. The most interestin to me in the winning tions just presented by I makers, was ther most students involved in a students involved in at cise which attracted 14 tries opted to use the look-alike, mink being remainely killed and in a life of luxury wise he moults) quite fitting a nasty little which would take your off as soon as look at your lives disappointed I was disappointed final choices; I thoug Zarla jäcket with red, bl purple flashes by Piliman of Harrow Art was great Also a be reversible black and whi

Above centre: Reversible coat in Caledonia and grey leather, leg warfers and hood, by Helen, coat by Charlotte Hef Carter, Newcastle Polytechnic. Top left: Caledonia jacket with pink going by Fleur Dunkériey, Liverpool Polytechnic, j. Leicester Polytechnic. Above left: Reversible Tarare and brown gabeline coat by Pru Bowyer, way, the mini really Harrow School of Art. Top right: Child's Zarin jacket, by Carqle Horf Derby Lonsdale College. Portant.

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Janet Reger undess from acrylics are those sort of woolly jersey materials. If they are in a jumper, three washes later it will not be the shape it : started out but all baggy and saggy, and if it is used in that fashion nobody wants to look involuable "little" day dress, quite so crushed three washes later that will be Where has it all gone wrong? running up your legs and grab. We inherited a magnificent texbing your nether regions in a tile industry through our politi-

that if you have it in your bedlinen while it may not need ironing ob my, how you do have to soak or even boil to get out the mascara shed along with the scalding tears onto the pillow. (All beauty editors tell you that your face will fall off if you do not cleanse and maybe even tone religiously before you go : a bed. Why? The greatest beauty treatment is sleep and you can clean your face and moisturize it in the daytime, just as you can, if you put your mind to it, Hoover the carpet after lunch.) Synthetic jersey? Ugh. Slimey, Foke fur? Ugh.

Leopards. That leaves us with Lycra. which is the crucial element in all the new terribly tight heard of it so it lacks any stigma. It is that stretchy elastic

sort of fibre. Exaggeration, of course. Largely untrue, of course. You only have to walk through the fabric departments of John Lewis in Oxford Street, which though not the most specialized shows the broadest range of really high style practical price materials to know that it is not

Those stands are covered with

simply lovely, imaginatively dis-played (very important, this) fabrics which are in very many cases synthetics—it says so on the label, and you can always trust the Partnership implicitly. Which brings us to the crux of this piece, which is to examine the parlous state of the British textile industry which appears to be going under faster than the Titanic and for many of the same reasons. Nothing

can founder this magnificent piece of machinery, save failing

to observe that that dear little point of ice in the blue water

is not just a happy snap for the passengers, but the tip of

things to come. We have beaten the nations of the earth in fabrics of linen. woollen and cotton", wrote a Courtauld's efforts to re-vimp by the huge producers. On the Mr A. V. Kirwan in 1864. He the ageing image of Courtails other hand, the huge producers was actually deploring the lack look the form of a competition, are themselves the victims of a British answer to Bechamel unusually geared towards product the market place. sauce, since cuisine was his, if ing manufacturers rather you will forgive the pun, Forte, sludents. Not precisely devastat-But it is interesting that in ing by its novelty, but showing a But it is interesting that in any by is lovely, but showing a surveying the national scene he good use of colour and shape should have so automatically was this winner, a neat little T

Incidentally, the linen trade

an exemplar.

indeed—the sanctity of the chaste, white and beautiful material, thick as a table cloth or fine as a stocking, demascened (that word comes from the swordsmith) declined. In high

lock more suited to Rugby foot cal generosity in granting bull than high fashion.

Polyester, which tries to look intrinsic skills of lace, or of like either silk or cotton, is weaving, or of sewing. We marmore or less all right, except ried this to the brilliance of the technology of the nineteenth century industrial revolution, and even farther back than this. as Samuel Smiles pointed out in Self Help.

Now, all the machinery you see in the great mills abroad seems to be foreign. Indeed, nearly burst into tears when Turkey, in an enormous plant discovered that we are still apparently the only people when produce (De Vos, Mar chester) sensationally high speed jacquard looms. But the was several years back. doubt we have lost that marke

Almost all that remains



picked nut our textile trade as dress in polo stopes with a ordinated blouson jacket

Synthetics are cheap, syn- was demolished by the Pope, they founding fathers of the very hard to reverse the thetics are nasty. Rayon The moment he decreed that British industry are their cass. Everyone knows that is that stuff the chain vestments might-now be made marile busis, gathering dust in times are troubled the make their copies of from mixed fibres—synthetics, the hall. Meanwhile, thousands thing we dump in this c of obs are being lost, looms is the design element closed, exports sliced, no one seems to be buying clothes and why should they; when they are so dull, and I have a sinking we invented rayon, for the state of the feling that when I cover the week mine tenubs of the naterials being used are going to be foreign. They are going foreign because they are nore lovely, more seductive, nore inductive to the customer, etter delivered and cheaper. bove all, better designed.

Many of them will be synthetic, but you will be hard put to tell: But they will be foreign. In fact I imagine that most of those materials which get my those materials which get my thimble finger itching in John Lewis are foreign, but since the Partnership has proved disinchined to tell me anything except what I owe them on my account, I cannot say.

What I can say is that the situation has to be taken in

situation has to be taken in band or we are simply not going band or we are simply not going to have a textile industry, and since we have the most expensive and extensive state funded design education system in the world, churning out hundreds of young hopefuls every year, it behoves us to make sure that we do actually have somewhere for them to go. for them to go.

Beginning at the end of that paragraph, it must be said a great deal of the design education offered is incompetent. It is no doubt well-intentioned, but it is just hopelessly impractical Pretty pictures are one thing, repeats are another. Costs are something else again. I forget how often I have asked a student to tell me the market they are aiming at, and their price point, and been received with a blank stare or even, perish the thought, a ringe of shock at such a wicked capitalistic attitude.

Now. not knowing how many beans make five is quite all right if you can get backing from an imaginative, wealthy company with the resources to treasure your artistic gifts and the sympathetic management to encourage, pet, edit and then market you. The trouble is that such backing, and above all such management are about as such management, are about as rare as hen's teeth. On the one hand, the most talented of our young designers either work abroad, or consign themselves to the potting shed dyeing exquisite single lengths of wondrous stuffs because they cannot bear the frustrations and the lack of recognition afforded the market place. That market place has, in Britain, consist-ently cared more for price than style, thus the chain stores dominate the production line, requiring volume, safety in

design, and . . . price.
Once our mills were clued into this concept, it was-isviction in design. Function we invented rayon, for bulb filaments-but shee! and beauty, oh, very sust

The man in the hot se, is without doubt Chris Hogg, newly elevated as man of Courtaulds. Almi the production of this group is made in synt (which they themselves a huge percentage of th put goes into the volume chain store areas. Mr Ho, of a gnarled 43 years of confronted with the close the Belfast plant, a m penetration of the British et by American synthetics to easy-care, it's very chic hand laundry on silk, and and corton and wool because washing machine is no lon status symbol miracle of sixties and self-sufficients Laura Ashley sweeping C are what count

Again, an exaggeration. are millions of women bever intend to from any ever again, and after all taulds is the volume end o market. But you can never regard the young view the generation of customers. It why Courtaulds have instit a design prize—to my del not for students but for wer houses—to re-vamo the ima Courtelle. They have called: comp Technological Chic, ought to give a good fright the old biddies curre wandering around in the str I sometimes wonder which the more dread name, Cour or Crimpiene?

Mr Hogg, not surprisit would favour some sort-of.
striction on cheap implecause he says, without sound home market you car export." Not too much it. lifeline, but enough to give own industry a new char Without that you cannot rethe commitment to excellen which we must. In the panic volume I think we are going destroy a lot of irreplaces technique, and regret it lan He sees a "sensible rejuvens British industry, with an acc on small units, because this how the British work

identify best ". Amen. Our of the potting s and into the future?

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SIR CYRIL HARRISON

Influence

in textile

industry

Sir Cyril Harrison, who was chairman of the English Sewing Corton Company Ltd. from 1963 to 1968, cied on March 14 at the age of 78. He was an influential figure in the British and influential figure in the Gritish

textile industry at a difficult time, and was also a past cresi-dent of the Federation of Brit-

ish Industries.
Cyril Ernest Harrison was born on December 14, 1961, the

son of A. J. Harrison, MIGasE,

a gas engineer, and educated at .
Burnley Grammar School. He left school at 15 to learn weaving in a local mill. Later he moved to Manchester where he

entered the cloth business and at the age of 27 set up on his own as a merchant. The repu-tation he gained in this sphere

earned him an invitation to join English Sewing Cotton as manager of the yarn sale de-

partment. He became managing director in 1948, Vice-Chairman

in 1952 and was appointed chairman in 1963.

chairman in 1963.

This was a particularly difficult period for the textile industry and his appointment as President of the Federation of British Industries in 1951 was something of a compliment to the way in which he had maintained the commercial health of ESC at that time. As president of the FBI he was tireless in his criticism of the smateurish, fragmented nature of organization of British employers' bodies and particularly castigated what he saw as a lack of awareness in industry of the necessity to think jointly of commercial functions and labour relations.

of commercial functions and labour relations.

A well known figure throughout the Northwest, Harrison was a past president of the Manchester Chamber of Commerce, and of the Cotton, Silk and Man-made Fibres Research Association. He was a member of the Course of Corporates of

Association. He was a member of the Court of Governors of Manchester University and was a member of the Grand Council of the CBI.

He was made an Hon MA of Victoria University, Manchester, in 1961 and was knighted in 1963.

He married, in 1927, Ethel.

He married, in 1927, Ethol, daughter of Edward Wond, FCA, JP. She died in 1971.

PERCY BELCHER

Tony Van den Bergh writes:
On March 6, in his eightieth year, Percy Belcher, the former secretary of the Tobacco Warkers' Union, was buried at Reading, the town where earlier in his correct he had been a

Labour councillor for over fourteen years, taking an especial interest in housing.

Mr Belcher's death, only a year after that of Betty Harrisar

son his assistant general secre-tary, will seem strangely apt both to members of the union

and statistics on which the union's cases would be based, leaving Percy Beicher to breathe emotion and force into

was undeviating once they had

decided what road to follow:

Percy would sometimes in uriate har by switching the direction of their attack because of

his instinctive reaction to the

employers' reply.

Percy Belcher was a remarkable character of widely differ-

ing interests. Thus he was abic

to reconcile his membership of

They had two sous.



# CULAR

am Palace The Queen colonel-sited the 1st auniton s at Victoria Arracks, day and honough the golficer (Liefenant ind Webb Carta) with a re luncheon of the ess. ess. banc Biewitt he fit

with The Due of this evening honored escore the Royal Rimer of Kramer us Kramer the Cinema and eleevolent Fund at the ATE. Leicester Source intess of Airlie, Mr lowes and Lieutennt
Tir Stewart Wilson were

Highness, as Paon sh Trust for Consera-miteers, attended a ut the Martini Terre, SWI, this evening, ce of Wales, Duke of insted Duchy propery r mday. Highness, attended sy. Severett, travelled in te.

Queen Elizabeth Th other this morning the Irish Guards' S

of Gloucester will annual speech day of frammar School, Camnd Buchanau gave birth Winchester on March

Morrisson Atwater gave son in London yester-

### vs today

d Bacon, 77; Baroness Amberley, 81; Major-L. Friberk, 77; Sir t, 67; Sir Robin Mc-; The hon John Silkin,

### appointments

Chief Constable, Somer-con. to be chairman of rnors of Wellington merset, in succession to Gillard.

### hin School,

rnors of Godolphi e appointed Miss E. A /, at present Depuy set of St Georgis cot, to the headship of School. She will the

### Forthcoming marriages ...

Mr C. J. A. Benttle and Miss H. A. Rosselli The engagement is announced between Christopher, elder son of Mr and Mrs David Reartie, of Windsor, Berkshire, and Heath, daughter of Mr and Mrs Hugh Rosselli, of Barton Mills, Suffolk,

Mr S. J. Cox and Miss J. L. Heath

The engagement is announced between Stephen John, elder son of Mr and Mrs J. C. W. Coz. of Montmead; The Drive, Belmont, Surrey, and Jane Lindsay, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs E. P. Heath, of Cooks Place, Albury, Surrey,

Mr W. Macdonald and Miss T. Cooper

The engagement is announced between Warren Macdonald, of Melbourne, Australia, and Tina Cooper, of Bourton-on-the-Water, Gioncestershire.

Mr M. A. Mather-Lees and Miss A. S. Gibbs

The engagement is announced between Michael; only son of Mrs M. D. Pescot and stepson of Mr R. F. Pescot, OBE, of Southcote, Canden Road, Brecon, Powys, and Angela, only daughter of Mrs J. A. Gibbs, of Columbine Cottage, Storridge, Malvern, Worcestershire.

Mr J. P. Nettet and Miss C. G. Mawhood The engagement is announced between Julian, son of Mr and Mrs L. Hettel of Ewell, and Caroline, daughter of Mr and Mrs John Mawhood, of Beaconstield.

Mr N. J. Rau and Miss J. R. Cottrell

The canagement is announced fire Irish Guards' 8 between Nicholas, son of the late Mr Arthur Rau and of Mrs Kare Mrs John Mulholland of Jeremy Malholland Mrs Rogald Courell, of Bath.

Bir I. E. R. Savens and Miss L. B. H. Siemens
The engagement is announced between Ignario on of Mrs Maria Ceccumin Savens, of Rome, Italy, and Louist eldest daughter of Mr I. W. Siemens and Mrs Siemens Countess Schimmelpenminck), of London, Ingland.

M. P. Sigh ant Miss J. M. Watson

The engement is announced between Pratap, younger son of Raja Rable Singh, of Kapurthala; India, ad of Mrs F. O. Cheryan, and Jak. only daughter of Mrs John fatson, of Elmoon Old Vicaras, Saftron Walden, Essex, and to late Mr Watson.

### Mariages

Fligh Lieutenant R. N. Goodman and fiss S. R. Robinson.
The marriage took place at the paris church of St John the Baptist. Dodworth, on Saturday, Majh 8, 1980, of Flight Lieutenit Robert Goodman, elder son of fir and Mrs R. G. Goodman, of Caythorpe, Lincolnshire, and Mrs Satah Robinson, elder degitter of Mr and Mrs A. D. Rbinson, of Dodworth, South Victalite. The Rev L. Derry oficiated.

A. C. B. Frater and Miss J. F. Shelley The marriage took place on March
The marriage took place on March
That Kensington Register Office,
estween Mr Charles E. Fratar, son
of Mrs E. Frater and the late Dr
Mr. Frater, and Miss Julia Frances
Shelley, daughter of Mr and Mrs
Charles Shelley, of Little Conigree,
Mirchell Dean, Gloucestershire.

Mr R. Thomas and Mrs D. Wise

The marrisge took place in High Wycombe on Mouday, March 17, 1980, between Mr Richard Thomas and Mrs Giorgis Wise, of Marlow-on Thames, widow of Mr Dennis

Paintings quizzed: Kate McConnell, aged 11, from St James's School, Kensington, examining an alterpiece by Filippino Lippi at the National Gallery yesterday in search of the answers for the Jungle Look quiz, a

test of wits, observation and drawing skills, instituted by the gallery. The quiz, which is filled in as children circulate around many of the paintings, is for those aged 8 to 14 and closes on April 20.

### Commonwealth airmen | Receptions Frime Minister

to be remembered Commonwealth airmes who have no known graves will be remem-bered at the annual commemorabered at the annual commemorative service at the Runnymeic memorial, on the Thames, on May 12; at 11. Next of kin and relatives of the airmen whose names are angraved on the memorial are invited to apply to the Ministry of Defence, Air Porce Board Secretariat, Room \$245, Main Building, Whitehail, London SWIA 24B, for a copy of the order of ceremony.

Meeting

Royal Over-Sess League
Mr Kenneth Thompson, chairman,
executive committee, Royal Commonwealth Society for the Blod,
was the guest speaker at last
night's meeting of the Royal OverSeas League discussion circle at
Over-Seas House, St James's. Mrs
E, Cresswell was in the chair.

### Individuality of theatre on by-pass site

way. For Ipswich has bean rather badly treated in the past, as indeed a glimpse of this particular dual carriageway and some of the buildings facing it will testify. It is no be hoped, therefore, that the town's inhabitants realize how incisy they are in having two modern buildings of national stature: the Walls & Faber buildings by Foster Associates, and, just up the road; this new theatre by Roderick Ham and Finch.

The task was simple: to construct a permanent home for the Ipswich theatre (mnil recently housed in a lecture hall) on a site earmarked for a theatre in 1951 as part of the civic centre development, but with 1976 cost limits that would not, probably, allow for additional sealing wax and string to put the building together with.

Most people involved with provincial theatre will be aware that the architects of a scheme of this kind are being asked to do the impossible; and a surprisingly high number succeed, with interesting theatres to Peterborough, York, Liverpool, Colchester, Derby, Sheffield, Nottingham and elsewhere. Indeed, the provincial theatre in Britain comprises a specific architectural type unusuammeded to a large extent by the statutory space and design standards which contains much of the better postwar architecture. As time passes, however, one looks at each new theatre to see what inventions the architect bas had so come up with to save

Normanion by Derby, dierese of Darby, to be vicar of St Stephen's, Sanfin Derby, same diocyse.

The Rey, B. Moore, home secretary of the Church Missithary Society, to be deputy general secretary (organisation) from May 1.

The Res M. Sadgreer, micr et Salesbury and Wells Theological College.

Descourses Judith Thomas, diocese of Portamonth, to be hospital charch gister at Princess Margaret Respital systems. Resignations

Arab-British Chamber of Commerce The Arab-British Chamber of Commerce held a reception at the

Dorchester hotel yesterday to cele-brate the fifth anoiversary of the foundation of the Arab-British Chamber of Commerce. Guests were received by the chairman of the chamber's board, Sir Richard Beaumont, and the secretary-general of the chamber, Mr Abdul Karim Al-Muderis. Among the guests were ambassadors of Arab countries, senior officials of the British Government, members of Partiament, Arab and British directors of the chamber (includ-ing presidents and other represen-tatives of Arab chambers of com-merce), members of the chamber and other leading Arab and British businessmen. Dorchester hotel vesterday to cele-

Luncheons

Royal College of Surgeons of Engined Murtey, President of the Royal College of Surgeous of England, yesterday entertained at luncheon at the college Sir Denis Wright, Mr P. P. Dunkley, Mr J. Michael Pickard and Mc. H. H. G.

# Fine sealed move win

by Korchnoi From Harry Golombek

Velden am Wörtersee, March 17 A positive result has come at last in the quarter-final match in the candidates series at Velden. After four successive draws Viktor Korchool scored an emphasic win in the fifth game against Tigran Petrostan, the former world champion, and now

leads by 3 to 2. If he makes a level score in the next five games he will win the match and qualify to meet either Tal or Polugaievsky in the semi-

Tal or Poligatevsky in the sent-limal.

Two adjourned games were played today. The first was the fourth match game in which Korcheol bad emerged from a losing position two days ago to bring about a probably drawn

In fact, the players took only 10 minutes to play five more moves and the fourth game was moves and the fourth game was agreed a draw at the suggestion of Petrosian on the forty-lifth move. Petrosian made a gerture with his hands and fingers indi-cating a draw and Korchnoi, who objects to exchanging words with his opponent, apparently is pre-

his opponent, apparently is pre-pared to accept signs.

After a half-hour interval the lifth game was resumed. Yester-day Korchinol had got into serious rouble with the white pieces and seemed to have a lost game for some time. But Petrosian, who does not seem too sure of himself here after playing very well for here, after playing very well for some time made a series of inferior moves in the last hour

of the session.

Korchnol took store than 20 minutes, to seal his adjourned minutes. In seal in a six more move and when play was resumed today it was seen that he had scaled a very fine wanting move. That move won the queen by force and after another five moves force and after another five moves
Petrosian resigned the hopeless
position on the forty-sixth move.
Tomorrow the sixth game is due
to be played and Petrosian will
have the white pieces. It would
not be surprising, however, if he
postpones play for another day.

# Old Bedford Modernians' Club The annual London luncheon of the Old Bedford Modernians, Club

the Old Bedford Modernians, Club was held yesterday at the House of Commons. Mr P. J. King, president, was in the chair and the guest of honour was the Headmaster of Bedford Modern School, Mr P. J. Squire. Other guests included Mr H. K. Speed, Partiamentary Under-Secretary of State for the Royal Navy, Ministry of Defence,

### Dimners Earl of Minto

The Earl of Minto entertained Mr G. M. Thur, chairman, Office of Transportation Programmes, Department of Energy, United States of America, at digner as the House of Lords yesterday. Other guests were;

Air R. Ashley, Mr C. C. Cardwell, Mr R. P. Craig, and Mr D. H. Jacobson; Viscount Trenchard, Vircount Long, Lord Strathcoma and Mount Royal, Lord Strathcoma and Mount Royal, Lord Rebert Clark, Professor Sir William Hauthorne, Air Chief Marshal Sir Neil Wheeter, Mr D. U. A. Andrews, Mr A. I. Bigas, Mr J. R. Andrews, Mr A. P. Carlyriont, Dr R. J. Clark, Mr D. Crouch, Mr B. Graver, Mr D. Carlyriont, Dr R. J. Crouch, Mr Air G. Fawer, Mr C. J. French, Dr J. Gloson, Dr D. Herdwich, Mr Mr William Hill, Mr G. N. Jackson.

Sir Graham and Lady Rowlandson-gave a diamer party yesterday at 18 Grosvenor Square in honour of the High Commissioner for Lesotho and Mrs Molapo, Others present included:

The High Commissioner for St Lucia and St Vicendt and the Greadines, the Ambassador of Liberta Lord Cottoslee, Lord and Lady Brimelow, Lody Norton, and Mr Enoth Powell, MP and Mr Powell.

# Constable sketch price OBITUARY jumps £760 in year

Sale Room Correspondent
The extent to which auction prices are a matter of luck was underlined by a Constable drawing which came up at Phillips pesterday for the Second time in 12 months. It is a head and shoulders portrait of a pretty woman, a pecil sketch measuring 19 cm by 14.5 cm, and sold for £1.250 yesterday. In a sale at Phillips auction rooms in Knowle last July it ferched £490.

Many sales of drawings and watercolours last year ran into difficulties, with a marked lack of bryers. Demand at yesterday's sale

brivers. Demand at yesterday's sale was noticeably stronger, especially for decorative items. An interest-

Albert Armand Rateau, which made 157,000 francs (£16,600). A sinuous Art Nouveau carved wood chimney piece attributed to hugnet, the pymphs leaning over the chimney, made 125,000 francs [13,214) and the same price was paid for a Majorelle bookcase.

Christie's yesterday also held a minor Nouveau and Deco auction, totalling 554,730 with 16 per cent unsold. The top prices were among the glass, with an Argy-Rousseau pôte-de verre oviform tase decorated with a dancing girl selling for 52,300 (estimate 5400 to 5500).

There was also an unusual section of modern artist potters'

bryers. Demand at yesterday's sale was noticeably stronger, especially for decorative items. An interesting architectural drawing, "The front elevation of Salte's House, Tornenham", by Humphrey sprom and daring from 1807, sold for £620, having been left unsold at half that price in a Phillips sale last November.

The top price in yesterday's sale was £3,200 (estimate £1,000 to £1,500).

A mixed sale of printed books at Sotheby's made £33,905, with 1 per cent unsold. As usual, the top prices were paid for colour-plate books, with 20 volumes of The Botonical Cobinet, dating between 1818 and 1833, fetching £3,600 (estimate £3,005, with 17 per cent unsold, a percentage reflecting a number of relapively minor items put in by trade sellers with high reserves.

A sale of Art Nouveau and Art Deco at Enghien, in France, on Sunday included a low table in bronze supported by four longtailed birds, a signed piece by date to between 1830 and 1836.

Latest pamphlets

### Historic Spanish influence on craft of brickmaking

Brickmaking: a history and gazetteer. By Alan Cox. The forest of rall chimney stacks that the travelled on the M1 observes marks cravelier on the lat observes marks our Bedfordshire as a great centre of the brickmaking industry. In this fascinating and well documented study, part of the official survey of the county, Alan Cox has traced brickmaking from its origins to the present day, setting local activities against the national background.

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Traditionally brickmaking has had a strong immigrant workforce. As far back as Tudor times there were Spanish influences in some of the techniques of kiln and oven making. Mr Cox spaculaires on whether Henry VIII's first wife, katharine of Aragon, who stayed in the county during divorce proceedings and later lived in exile not tar away, might thus have had a connexion with the unleminine craft of brickmaking as well as her traditional founding association with the local lace industry.

The author also describes, among other things, the different types of idln, machinery, methods of tlay extraction and mamfacture. The valuable gazetteer lists 180 sites in the county with historical details.

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Historic Houses, Casiles and Gardens in Great Britain and Ireland. The latest edition of this guide, invaluable for the historic house enthusiast, contains all the relevant details of more than 1,100 properties ogen to the public and listed finder their respective counties. Memmore respective counties. Menunore Towers in Buckinghamshire, now

open to the public, and Ugbrooke in Devon, the first castle-style house built by Robert Adam, are among the 39 new entries.

A useful new section lists a selection of redundant churches rescued and administered by the Redundant Churches Fund.

A.B.C. Travel Guides Ltd., Oldhill, London Road, Dunstable, Bedjordshire, II.40 (post free).

hall, London Road, Dunstable, Bediardshire, II.40 (post free).
Back of Beyond: Life in Holdermess before the First World War. By Alice M. Markham. The title of this book is taken from an old Yorkshire phrase to describe a remote area: it is an appropriate title, for it was in just such a place, an isolated farm on Humberside where her father was foreman, that the author spent her child-hood and youth during the first quarter of the present century. Here is a stratghtforward but vivid account of life there, the dictatorial father, the three-mile walk to school where a sadistic head ruled supreme, the drudgery of helping to prepare meals for the farm workers as well as the large family, the simple pleasures of a life of self-help leisure activities, and the joy of a trip to the mearest village or city to visit shops and relations.

It was a harsh but, from this account, supremely happy existence. The author's non-john Markham, a noted local historian, has set his mother's nostalgic reminiscences in their wider perspective.

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### Appointments in the **Forces**

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In their analysis of events, Professor K. J. Gregory, of Southampton, and Dr J. C. Doornkamp, Nottingham University, believe the survey should be invaluable for long-term planning.

the Communist Party with becoming a Methodist lay preacher. Although he was a patifist indeed, he was awar-ded the Joliot Curie Peace prize in 1964 for his work for peace—and leader of the first strike to be fought in the Second World War, few of his detractors were aware that in the First World War, he had not only enlisted under age in the Royal Navy, but been mon-tioned in dispatches for his gallantry, when only 16, during'

the action at Zeebrugge.
Though he fought relentlessly and, on occasion, would make bitter attacks upon the em-ployers when he considered. them insensitive of their employees' needs, he never har-boured grudges and would, always interpret agreements in-the spirit rather than arguing legal refinements.

He was an extremely warm.

person and would offer genuine' and lasting friendship to those. he liked and respected, even whilst disagreeing vigorously with their opinions or politics. Indeed, on my leaving the tobacco industry, in spite of my having negotiated against him for over tweive years, he immediately invited me not only to join his union, but to become a member of the delegation which was travelling through the Eastern block to report upon trade union devel-

opments in those countries. Percy Belcher was an official of the National Union of Railwaymen when he was appointed an assistant organ-izer for the Tobacco Workers Union, in 1938. Three years later he became general secre-tary, a post he held until his retirement in 1964. Despite many years of ill-health, several heart-attacks and innumerable car accidents, he retained a keen interest in what was happening in the whole field of industrial relations.

### MR RAFAEL

Mr Rafael Paasio, who was Prime Minister of Finland from 1966 to 1968 and from Pebruary to September 1972, died vester-day at the age of 76, ile had been president of the Social Democratic Party from 1953 to 1975 and was a former Speaker of the Finnish Parliament. He had previously been a typo-grapher and editor of a Social Democrat newspaper.

# Science report Weather: Effect on crop yields of East Anglia. Very low yields in 1974, 1975 and 1976 resulted from a high incidence of disease in 1974, a combination of disease and drought in 1975, and severe frought in 1976. Therefore the records and maps show the effect on river levels, crop yields, incidence of putdoor

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By Pearce Wright Science Editor

Two different examinations of weather patterns over the British Isles have focused attention on the wolnersbility of agriculture both to long, slow changes in the climate and to shorter dramatic enjoying. drought in 1976.

The second item is the Atlas of Drought in Britain, 1975-76, prepared by the Cartographic Unit of Southampton University in princed by Ordinance Survey. That publication examines the cause of the drought, its character and impact on various communities throughout the country.

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The impact of the first type of phenomenon is disclosed in the way sugar beet yields showed a rising trend throughout the 1960s to reach a peak in 1971. Since then sugar beet yields have approached the yields of the late 1960s in only one year.

That pattern of crop production related to seasonal rainfall, sunshine, evaporation and conditions ripe for the spread of plant disease, according to a report of Dr R. P. Scamuell of the Chimatic Research Unit, University

Today's engagements The Queen holds investiture, Buck-ingham Palace, 11.

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The Duke of Edinburgh, as chancellor, visits Salford University, 10.15, and attends annual court meeting, 11.15; as president of the National Playing Fields Association, the duke visits Moss Side People's Centre, 2.30; visits factories at Oldham, 3.25; attends annual dinner of Manchester branch of British Institute of Management, Manchester from Management, Manchester town hall, 7:30.

Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother of Queen Mary's London Needle-work Guild, St James's Palace, 3.25.

Princess Margaret, as Colonel-in-Chief, visits The Royal Highland Fusiliers and 15th/19th The King's Royal Hussars in West Germany.
The Duke and Duchess of Kent attend concert in aid of Birthright, Royal College of Obstetri-

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Tyudall, National Gallery, 1;
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Court Square, 7.30.

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-Lanchtime music: Simon Lole, organ, St Peter-upon-Cornhill, 12:30; City Music Society, Endellion String Quartet, Biah-opsgate Hall, 1.05.

Memorial services: the Hon Michael Astor, St James's, Piccadilly, noon; Sir Edwin Chapman-Andrews, crypt of St Paul's Cathedral, noon; Sir Lauce Mallalicu, St Margaret's, Westminster, noon.

Henderson for research into seabed surveying. Bundee Dr C. Rochester has been appoin-

From The Times of Friday, March 18, 1955 Yalta papers The American Government's

publication of the great mass of papers on the Yalta conference is a bungled and unhappy affair. An historical record has been flung out at the wrong time, in the wrong way and for the wrong motives. Sir Winston Churchill has already noticed some inaccuracies. Why was it done? For months the Administration has been under pressure from members of its own Republican party who wished to discredit the late President Roosevelt and, through President Roosevelt and, through him, Democrat policy in general. Their line is that Mr Roosevelt was disastrously soft with Stalin at Yalin giving way to him In eastern Europe and bribing him quite unnecessarily to enter the war against Japan. To meet them and to foster the campaign

the Administration gave copies of the whole record of the conference, amounting to half a million words, to senators. When the inevitable leaks occurred

Washington publicly released the lot. Those who sought to make mischief had won.

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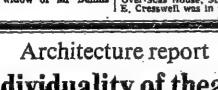
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By Charles McKesta
The new Wolsey Theatre in
Ipswich, as Micheira might say,
is worth a detour; not much of
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on the inner by-pass dual carriageway. For Ipswich has been rather
badly treated by the past, as
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The Wolsey Theatre is a fine, soft-red brick building with deeply overlanging caves and a maltings-style plant room on top. The

Architect's Journal called the appearance of the building domestic. One gets the impression that anything with an over-hanging pitched roof would thus be called domestic. On the contrary, this building is Bavarian—a Black Forest Gaethaus or Bierkeller with all the robustness of appearance and detail that implies. Inside the principal decoration is achieved by green-stained timber strips which are also used functionally for doors and the staircase. Cast iron columns in the foyer area are also used for the base of the lighting. The resultant atmosphere is rather warehouse in style, like the Mermaid as it used to be, or all those converted warehouses in Rotherhithe and Docklands. As such, it is exactly appropriate to the theatre—particularly cost conscious and penny-pluching. The auditorium is a simple bavebones space, with the steel frame painted bright red, and the house lights are bare light builts fixed to it, as in a fairground. There are some affinities with the theatre in Christ's Hospital, Rorsham, by Howell Killick, Partridge, Amis in the colouring and in the slightly Elizabethan way in which the auditorium enfolds the stage.

Since a theatre is, in itself, an exercise in illuston, the architect has made no effort to cover up the services of the underside of the roof. The focus of the auditorium and the way in which the lighting is done contentrate the attention on the stage, relying on make-believe to obscure the rest.

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The theatre has all manner of virtues: making a lot our of a little; excellent use of colour; double use of components; consistency of style and pleasing looks. Moreover it manages to establish its individuality on its by-pass site and that it no mean feat.

Resignations
The Archdeacon of Marchester, the Ven A. Ballard, redires at the end of September. He will have spent 37 years of a 44-year ministry in the Manchester diocese. Other resignations include:
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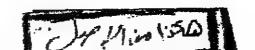
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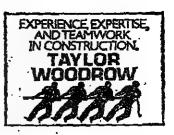
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# **Exports** top £4,000m as trade deficit falls by nearly £100m

Economics Editor

Britain had a trade deficit of £226m in February, nearly £100m better than in January as the volume of exports in-creased. But despite the huge benefit to the balance of pay-ments from North Sea oil, the United Kingdom still looks likely to run a deficit of around £2,000m on its current account

February's deficit on visible trade was only partly covered by a surplus on invisibles which or a surplus on invisions which include shipping, insurance and government transactions. The latest estimate suggests a surplus on invisibles of around 250m a month, which would reduce the current account deficit for February to £176m.

It january, a £321m deficit on visible wade was reduced to a current account deficit of £271m because of a surplus on invisibles. This account has deteriorated sharply in recent years because of Britain's contributions to the EEC budget.

The latest overall figures which include exports at £4,133m, the first time they have topped £4,000m, probably understate the improvement which has been occurring in the overall trading performance.

Trade in "erratic "items, such as precious stones, silver and other goods whose movement in trade is unpredictable, worsened by £265in in February. The boom in the price of silver, which is now unwinding, was responsible for much of this.

If these erratic items are excluded, a reasonably cheerful picture of trade performance in recent months seems to emerge: The volume of imports excluding erratic items rose by only half a per cent in the three months to the end of February compared with the previous three mouths. On the other hand, the volume of exports rose by 21 per cent.

Like all economic statistics these figures have to be treated with particular caution for the period in question. During the latest three months, exports of engineering goods have been buoyset as industry recovered from the effects of the long

the fact that the damage causes by the engineering strike had come to an end and the steel dispute had not started to make a serious impact, Figures for March may show a jess

cheerful picture. Most countries in the western world are recording large deficits because of the cost of imported oil. The latest figures underline the extent to which the United Kingdom has been cushioned from that problem, with a deficit on oil of only £52m in February.

But oil had an adverse effect on one aspect of the external position, causing the terms of trade to fall slightly in February. The higher cost of silver imports also damaged these. The unit value of im-ports rose more sharply than the value of exports,

In spite of the fact that the price which we receive for our exports, went up less than the price we pay for our imports, the actual value of exports went up considerably more than did imports. There was a sharp inimports. There was a sharp in-crease in the volume of manufactured exports with little increase in the volume of manufactured imports in Feb-

Prospects for our trading performance are likely to be under conflicting pressures in the months ahead. The gener-ally expected slowdown in the United Kingdom economy will cut back demand for imported goods, particularly since it is widely especied that stocks will be run down sharply because of high interest levels.

Importers traditionally keep quite large stocks because they cannot rely on immediate pro-duction to meet demand. The United Kingdom economy tends to "cut demand for imports quite sharply as it moves into recession, just as a increases imports at the first sign of a

But the increasing problems for industry of an overvalued pound are likely to make it more difficult to export over the year ahead and will do nothing to limit imports. Even if sterling fell sharply, it would be many months before this was reflected in an improve-ment in trading performance.

# W German challenge

American nylon carpet yarn into Britain. Dr Otto Graf Lembadorff, the West German Economics Minister, is expected to raise the matter at a meeting of EEC Trade Ministers in Proceeds to the process of the contract of the co Brussels tomorrow.

While Bonn accepts the need for controls on imports into British of polyester filament yards, the Germans appear to believe that a contraction in the size of the British nylon carpet yard market in recent mouths has exaggerated the scale of American import penetration. Dr Lambsdorff is expected to

ergue against the Commission's decision of February 15 which limited American imports to the average of the level of imports in the second half of 1979. It is thought that in raising the matter tomorrow Germany wants to demonstrate that it will only go so far in sanctionwill only go so far in sanction-ing protectionist measures in the BEC. The move is being interpreted as a warning to Germany's Community partners and as a plea to the American Administration not to take steps that could start a trade war across the Atlantic.

As a result of the German As a result of the German move, the Commission measures protecting the British mylon carpet yard industry will now have to be approved by a two-thirds majority in the ERC Council of Ministers. Unless this is forthcoming in the

on nylon yarn imports

From Peter Norman

Brussels, March 17

West Germany intends to challenge last month's decision by the European Commission to limit imports of cheap American nylon carpet yarn into Brimin. Dr Otto Graf Lembadorff, the West German Economics Minister, is expected to the commission measures or whether Dr Lambadorff will limit his intervention for the time being to demanding a new Commission demanding a new Commission

Viscount Davignon, EEC Commissioner for Industry, is meeting union officials in Brussels tomorrow to discuss the "serious recession" in the man made fibres industry. man-made frores industry.

Mr. David Warbarton, national lindustrial officer of the General and 'Municipal Workers Union and secretary of the United Kingdom': Chemical Unions Council, commented: "We are not satisfied that the EEC has been council to the council taken enough measures to pro-tect the fibres industry.

"Our Government has been allowed to impose import quotas during 1980 but these are insufficient."

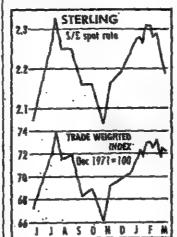
### Wall Street 23 points down after Carter plan

From Frank Vogl
Washington, March 17
President Carter's new antiinflation programme was inflation programme was greeted with jeers, not cheers, on Wall Street today. Share prices started to slide and the Dow Jones industrial average fell 23.04 points, the worst one day fall since last October, and its lowest level since December

Interest rates started to move up and Morgan Guaranty Trust announced that it is raising the rate it charges securities brokers from 174 per cent to 18; per cent. New prime rate increases seem certain shortly. Business economists were equally negative about the President's measures. Some ex-perts complained the puckage was too weak and amounted to too little, too late. "I would go even further", Mr Leon Taub of Chase Econometrics

Taub of Chase Econometrics
Associates said, and he claimed
that the actions would actually
add to inflation, not curb it.

Matters are not being helped
by talk on Capitol Hill today
of using the \$10.000m
(£4.587m) energy tax increases
to finance a round of income
tax cuts. Such action would
merely derken the prospects of
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How the pound reacted yesterday to President Carter's anti-inflation package.

Mr Steve Einhorn, vice-chairman of the investment policy committee at Goldman Sachs and Company, said the markets had expected a tougher pack-age of action after all the leaks on probable measures in recent weeks. There had been expectations of some surprise measures, but "the package con-

rained no surprises".
Numerous brokers said that they were disappointed that the President did not make bigger "The actions dampen inflationary expectations", one said.
Mr Einhorn said that the
bond markets were poised for a technical rally, but he added that he was far from confident

He said that the new Federal Reserve measures would add to Reserve measures would add to bank costs and lead to a higher prime lending rate. Short-term rates would now go at least 0.5 to one per cent higher than would have been the case without the new Fed actions.

Mr Taub said that the energy tax would just add to inflationary pressures in the short

tionary pressures in the short term and it would have been far better if the President had made bigger spending cuts and condampen inflation this year.

Inflation would continue at a very high level for the next one or two months and the consumer price data would only start to show some improvement in May after the latest high mortgage rate rises had worked their way fully into the statis-SDR: The SDR against the dollar was 1.26668 and against sterling was 0.584532.

# Mr Borrie will use new powers to investigate makers' refusals to supply discount chains

Commercial Editor

Mr Gordon Borrie, the director general of fair trading is mounting a fresh investigation into retail accusations of refu-sals by some manufacturers to supply goods in anticipation of his increased powers when the Competition Bill becomes law later this month. A specialist team from the

Office of Fair Trading (OFT) initially is to meet on Thursday Mr Tom McAuliffe, chief executive of the Argos catalogue showroom chain, which is part of BAT. They will look again at complaints by Argos, made to the OFT at the end of last year, about refusal to supply by more than 30 manufacturers and other suppliers.

Because of constrictions of present resale prices legislation at the time. Mr Borrie was able to act in the case of only one supplier who subsequently offered pers' equipment to Argos. But the OFT has asked for a further meeting with

Argos to explore what action legislation widens Mr Borrie's tailers, on the other hand, have may be possible under the new powers to investigate and to argued that they maintain an competition legislation which act, the strategy behind its adequate after-sales service. will allow Mr Borrie to act on an anti-competitive practice.

Mr Barrie has been accumulating a file on manufacturers and suppliers which have allegedly been enforcing mini-mum pricing structures by refusing to supply discount retailers. A complaint by Tesco Stores against a British manufacturer for refusing to supply colour television sets and audio equipment is among those on the file.

After the Argos talks the OFT is expected to widen its inquiries to a number of the other retailers which have filed complaints including Tesco. They involve watches, many consumer electronic products, cosmetics, hicycles, sports goods, china and glassware, sports photographic equipment and various household goods including some consumer durables in the "white goods" sector.

powers to investigate and to act, the strategy behind its drafting presents initial problems for the OFT. The legislation is deliberately not specific in identifying particular practices as anti-competitive so that Mr Borrie has the greatest

flexibility of action. But this leaves Mr Borrie and his team with an often complex job of deciding in detail on specific practices, a task which will only become less difficult when a "case law"

One of the factors which will have to be weighed in dealing with refusals to supply are fears by some manufacturers that if discounting goes too far the consumer may suffer be-cause of a deterioration of

Traditional independent retailers which often make a main point of after-sales service could be threatened by dishe "white goods" sector. count trading, the manufac- internal Although the new competition turers believe. Discount re-talks.

If the OFT decides some of the complaints indicate an anticompetitive practice, Mr Borrie could ask the Monopolies and Mergers Commission to investigate the actions of individual companies. But the threat of such action may bring some early improvement for retailers on supplies.

Although Argos has so far been offered definite supplies by only one other manufacturer -of extractor fans-it is having talks about possible supplies with 15 of the suppliers about whom complaints went to the OFT. Items involved cover consumer electronic goods and sports equipment to power tools, pottery and china and fishing

But seven watch manufacturers are still not promared to enter into negotiations, accordinternational maker has started

### Lacey talks on Lonrho break down

By Bryan Appleyard Mr Graham Lacey and Gulf Fisheries have broken off talks over Gulf's 19 per cent stake

In a brief stanement last night the two sides said they had met for further discussions but had decided to end talks about Lourho. Negotiations are to continue about other pos-sible areas of cooperation. The announcement puts an

end to weeks of speculation that a full-scale bid worth per-haps £300m for the whole of Lourbo, at present capitalized at £200m, was on the way. On being told the news, Mr Paul Spicer, a Lourho director, said: "We guessed as much-We did not think that Lacey had the muscle and we did not think that the Arabs would

Come across."

News that Mr Lacey and the Kuwait-based Gulf were in talks filtered out in January. By the end of the month it looked as though the deal had been clinched with Mr Lacey ready to buy the stake via an American company.
Mr Lacey subsequently had
meetings with Sheikh Nasser
Sabah al Ahmed of Gulf and

the Kuwaitis professed them-selves satisfied that Mr Lacey could raise the money for the stake, worth around £40m. But last month delays began

gether a full-scale consortium bid for the whole of Loncho. Simultaneously Mr Roland Simultaneously Mr Roland "Tiny" Rowland. Lonrho chief executive, spent £340,000 on increasing his personal stake in the company. This was followed last week by another share purchase worth £550,000 to bring his voting interest to 15 per cent.

On Friday at the annual meet On Friday at the annual meeting an attempt by Gulf to prevent the board creating 40 million new shares was defeated as was Gulf's bid to prevent the board from buying out 50 per cent of the Nyaschere topper mine in Rhodesia which was controlled by Mr Rowland.

The failure of the talks now raises the question of what Gulf will do with its 19 per cent holding.

holding. ferguson bid: Bernard Wardle, the plastics group which has recommended acceptance of the

33p a share bid from Mr Graham Lacey's Ferguson In-vestments, has written to the Stock Exchange requesting an investigation into dealings in

# Lloyd's considering Sasse compromise

By Richard Allen insurance Correspondent

Lloyd's of London has suggested it might be prepared to help members of the stricken Sasse underwriting syndicates in meeting losses of over £20m.

But Mr Peter Green, the Lloyd's chairman said yester-day that the committee would be prepared to discuss a finan-cial compromise only if legal actions started by 47 of the syndicate's 110 members were

Mr Green said if the plain-tiffs were prepared to accept that their allegations against Lloyd's were groundless, "Lloyd's might be amenable to some sort of financial compromise". He added that talks could not possibly start if litigation was continuing. A spokesman for one of the

two groups of Sasse members which are separately suing Lloyd's and disputing liabilities for syndicate losses later said that members would not said that members would not even consider dropping their action on the faint promise of partial financial help. However, it is thought that all parties have become acutely awars of the huge financial costs which could ultimately be incurred as a result of the litigation. Meanwhile, on the same day

that Lloyd's filed its defence to the original court action by Sasse members, Mr Green 100k the unusual step of writing to all 18,500 underwriting mem-

whatever the outcome of liti-

Referring to allegations that some or all the risks that led to the Sasse losses should never have been accepted if Lloyd's and other defendants had per-formed their duties properly, he says: "It has been alleged that Lloyd's is under a duty to select, supervise, control and regulate the underwriting agents and the conduct by them of their agencies in a proper manner. Lloyd's does not supervise the underwriting decisions of agents nor has it ever purported to do so.

"The fortunes of a member must inevitably reflect the skills and fortune of the under-writing agent he selects."

Mr Green says the claim that Lloyd's neglected its duties in the supervision of policies underwritten by members reflects a misunderstanding of the re-lationship between the market and its members. (Much of the and its members. (Much of the Sasse litigation turns on the acceptance by the syndicate of bad risks and sometimes dubious business written outside the market under a system of binding authorities, and claims by members that this should have been more closely vetted by market authorities.) vetted by market authorities.) Referring to the binding

authority system under which a cover holder can underwrite business on behalf of a Lloyd's syndicate, Mr Green says this has been market practice for at least 50 years, and forms a substantial part of Lloyd's business.

In his letter, he stresses that underwriter has even thought all valid claims on policies to dispute his liability upon the underwritten by Sasse have basis that the practice is inbeen or will be settled in full valid."

### Changes at British Shipbuilders

By Peter Hill Industrial Editor

The Government will today announce an extension to the term of office of Admiral Sir Anthony Grufin, chairman of British Shipbuilders, and the reappointment for a further period of Mr Kenneth Griffin, one of the corporation's deputy chairmen. A further announcement on the future of Mr Michael Casey, the chief executive is ampacted in the next few There is speculation that Mr

Casey, formerly under secretary in charge of shipbuilding policy, who joined the state corporation on secondment from the Department of Industry, will not continue after his present contract expires in May.

A number of other civil servants have been on secondment to the state shipbuilding corporation and all have returned to the Civil Service. The three-month extension to Sir Anthony's contract arises from the difficulty which Whiteball has had in finding a

successor willing to take on the £44.000 a year job. It is understood that White-hall has now narrowed down the original list and a further announcement of a new full time chairman is expected before Sir Anthony's contract extension expires.

Mr Griffin, a former official of the Electrical and Plumbing Trades Union was one of Whitehall's union advisers before being appointed to the organiz ing committee for BS before nationalization. Along with Mr J. Graham Day, the present chairman and former chief executive, he was responsible for setting up the group when it came under state control.

### UK maker's drive to promote unique transmission

# Geared up for automatic success

Automotive Products, the Learnington-based motor com-ponent manufacturer, has develponent manusacturer, has developed an automatic gearbox which could solve one of the car industry's pressing problems—how to provide the benefits of automatic driving without the penalties of higher fuel consumption and dearer purchase

The biggest bouns for the car companies, and the reason it is attracting wide interest, is that ir can be produced on machinery used to make manual gearboxes. The key to this long-awaited breakthrough is a design which permits a manual gearbox to be converted to automatic with the addition of a second clutch and micro-elec-

cronic controls. The designer, Mr Harry Webster. AP's group engineering director and former engineering chief of Austin Morris, said in London yesterday. We have overcome the challenge that has defeated all previous attempts to produce a fully automatic version of a manual gearbox the provision of hor shift, be-tween ratios: that is changing gear without wasteful closing of the throttle.

Mr Webster said extensive

tests had shown the AP "box" offered 25 per cent fuel saving over other automatic gearboxes, We have the answer. What weighed no more than present generation automatics and could be even lighter when production



Mr H. Webster: using less fuel than other automatics

ing director and chief executive, said: "We are very excited Every manufacturer in the world it spending large sums trying to develop automatic gearboxes for small cars which do not involve an un-acceptable power loss and fuel

is more the car people can produce them themselves by buy-ing churches and actuating gear Mr George Pears, AP manage from us or we are prepared to

talk about licensing deals. Despite the fact that the design concept is so simple, we believe that we have the parents sewn up pretty tight. The only reason we are prepared to talk today is that there are so many rumours floating around we felt we had to put the record straight." The system was revealed to car manufacturers a month ago.

Already one large American company has asked AP to ver its own drawings for a small manual gearbox so that it can make any modifications to pro-duce manual and automatic gearboxes on the same machinery. Further developments already include five- and six-speed

modated in the same space as four-speed gearboxes.

Despite reluctance among American drivers to switch from automatics American car makers are being forced to make huge investments to pro-duce manual gearboxes to meet stringent federal fuel economy

versions which can be accom-

targers if AP's claims are substantiated they could enable General Motors, Ford and Chrysler to kill two birds with one stone. And if there are worries about the vuluerability of supplies from Leanington AP

is ready to expand capacity at

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### Japanese deficit cut by surge in exports

Japan's current account defijapan's current account defi-cit fell to \$1.240m in February from a record \$3,374m (about £1,540m) in January. The February deficit compared with a \$290m surplus in the same

month last year.

Finance Ministry officials attributed the fall in the deficit to an upsurge in exports, especially those of cars and steel products. The exports in crease was attributed to the yen's downturn on the foreign

exchange markets.

Overall payments in February were in deficit by \$840m
15381 8m1 sgainst \$2,222m (£381.8m) sgainst \$2,222m (£1m) in January and \$761m (£345.9m) in the corresponding month in 1979.

### Car output record

Production at Toyo Kogyo, reached a new monthly record in February, with an output of 91,527 units, 16 per cent up from January and 19.1 per cent up on the same month last

### Controls condemned

Mr Alfred Kahn, President Carter's adviser on inflation has repeated the Administration's opposition to mandatory wage and price controls and said they "would be a serious mistake".

### Iran gas price

Iran is seeking a price of \$3.63 dollars a 1.000 cu ft for its gas supplies to the Soviet Union, almost five times more than the 76 cents charged under the Shah. The Russians are offering between 30 and 40 per cent less than the asking price,

### 'Barter' trade trend

transactions, Barter-type sometimes called compensation agreements, are likely to become more important in East-West trade during the 1980s despite opposition from some unions and industry organizations in the West, according to experts at the Leipzig trade

### Turkey aid

Mr Noberu Takeshita the Japanese finance minister is reductant to comply with a West German request to increase aid to Turkey this year. He believes aid should be increased to Pakistan and Thailand, both hit

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# Furness Withy and the Chinese connexion

The offer for Furness Withy by Mr C. Y. Tung a month ago set the alarm bells jangling in British shipping as nothing has for decades. After all Bovis, which bid for P & O in the mid-seventies was, at least, British. Mr Tung is Chinese.

Furness Withy, apart from its interests in bulk carriers and North Sea oil, is one of the four partners or "grannies" in Overseas Containers, the consortium which has progressively taken over the lion's share of Britain's liner shipping in the Africa, Australasia and Far East trades. Does it do to let a foreigner into that sort of holy of holies: the heartland of British shipping?

During a month of heart searching many who at first instinctively opposed the bid are now coming round to thinking it may be no bad ming.

Mr Tung, with 120 ships of 10 million tonnes compared with Furness Withy's 50 of one million tonnes, is well known to British owners, who respect him and his son, C. H. Tung, as shrewd and competent operators; buccaneers who can nevertheless be relied on.

As one leading United Kingdom owner closely involved said to him recently: "If it had to be anyone, CY, we'd prefer it to be you." But this particular scion of British shipping did not think it should be anyone; and CY heard his view with

oriental politeness.

The Furness Withy board has clearly

Court bans

director for

Mr Ian Robert Law, a former

chartered accountant, was dis-

qualified by a High Court judge

yesterday from holding office

as a director of a company or

Mr Law's conduct as a lirector of six companies, which

had been wound up as insolv-

ent, made bim unfit to be

application through counsel.

Mr Peter Gibson, for the

Official Receiver, said the appli-

cation was being made to pre-vent Mr Luw, an undischurged bankrupt, obtaining an auto-

matic discharge in December,

1982, the fifth anniversary of

his being adjudicated bankrupt.

Mr Law was a menace to creditors, said Mr Gibson, whether in a private capacity

or acting through companies

The application was to ensure that the public was protected

period allowed under the Act.

The companies with which Ma

well Associates (Executive Selection) Ltd, wound up Janu-

ary, 1975; Maxwell Staff Ltd.

wound up December, 1976; Maxwell Industrial Staff Ltd, wound up April, 1977; Rockstar

Ltd and Muxgate Heating Ltd

wound up November, 1977; and Sagar Securities Ltd wound up

**BANK LIMITED** 

**Balance Sheet** 

at 31 December 1979

16,000,000

16,000,000

4,250,000

182,202

20,432,202

5,249,438

25,681,640

3,831,054

433.517,069

5,343,444

3,388,669

1,000,000

443,617,352

£473,130,046

368,170

**Current Assets** 

Bills discounted

Deposits with banks

Loans and advances

Debtors and prepayments

Loans and Advances

(directors' valuation)

Investments - Unlisted at cost

over one year

**Fixed Assets** 

at call and short notice

Cash, balances at bankers, money

Certificates of deposit purchased

maximum

five years

Insolvency Act.

overcome its doubts in recommending the ment of Trade could, presumably, stop raised bid. But directors primarily have that where British interests were the interests of shareholders and staff to threatened even if they were held not to consider, and both could benefit.

British shipowners reconsider opposition to takeover by Tung group

Because there seems little doubt that Mr Tung would instil fresh dynamism into a group that under its lively chairman, Mr rian Shaw, is already on the upgrade after years in the doldrums, Far East shipowners, of whom Mr Tung is a leader, are currently exhibiting just the expansionist-entrepreneurial skill that our Victorian forebears did to establish these household names of British shipping in the

A measure of refertilization of the parent by the offspring as it were may be fruitful. This after all is the thinking behind the BL deal with Honda.

Doubts arise over defence, employment. and the dumino effect of the sale of mair British shipping outlets abroad. Merchant shipping has a strong strategic value; and whatever assurances Mr Tung gives about keeping Furness Withy under the United Kingdom flag, would they hold in the event of a resale by him to someone

The same question applies to employment. Yet it is worth remarking that a third of Britain's fleet is already owned

abroad by American, Eastern and European companies, who find the Red Ensign a very convenient flag to fly.

As for the doming effect, the Depart-

be so in this case.

Particular conflict could arise in the North Atlantic trade, where Furness Withy's Manchester Liners is in competition with the Dart container consortium which the Tung company shares with Bibby and the Company Maritime Belge; and in the Far East trade where Tung is in Ace, a rival to OCL's trio consortium. But these can be resolved.

More to the point is South America, the one great trade area still to be container-ized where Furness Withy is the OCL partner with existing trading rights. If the other CCL partners: P & O, Ocean, and British & Commonwealth, exercise their option to buy out Furness Withy on takeover—they would presumably sell those rights too. But the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development code should keep them British.

Clearly there are a number of grounds for a possible reference to the Monopolies Commission which, following Friday's offer, is now being formally considered, and which Mr Tung says would kill the

But while some United Kingdom owners still feel strongly that it should be so referred, they may by now be in a

Michael Baily

## Call for public sector to rethink research and development

4. Such participation should

sales and other United Kingdom

states. As an interim measure

R and D boards might be set

up to formulate and oversee the R and D programmes of public-sector purchasers. These would include representatives

both purchasers

suppliers.
Mr Downs said that at the

might not have the advantage of competitive bids from

several outside suppliers; and,

most importantly, were weaken-ing the technical base of in-

dustry and making it more difficult for industry to com-

\*R and D for public pur-chasing. Advisory Council for Applied Research and Develop-ment. (HMSO, £2.50).

Fifty-one of the 218 projects

British Microprocessor Compe-tition have attracted the interest of the National Research Development Corpora-tion as candidates for future NRDC investment. The organ-izations and individuals con-

162,861,326

118,897,696

5,718,588

45,505,447

340,224,285

132,124,519

517,401

263.841

£473,130,046

797,625

6,443,603

pete in world markets.

Competition

success

The public sector is doing too much research and development in support of its purchas-ing decisions, according to a report' published yesterday by the Government's Advisory Council for Applied Research and Development (ACARD).

being involved in its manage-The council is not arguing that the total amount of R and D should be reduced, but that ment for the next five years Mr Justice Dillon imposed the maximum disqualification after hearing an application by the Official Receiver. It was the first application of its kind it should be redistributed. The public-sector purchasing organizations should rely more on their suppliers' own R and D or should contract-out more R and to the court under the 1976

D work to the private sector. This conclusion follows an investigation by an ACARD working group, led by Mr D. Downs of Ricardo Consulting concerned in the management of a company, the judge said. Mr Law, of Sid Abbey, Sid-mouth, Devon, had opposed the Engineers, into five industries where the public sector dominates the United Kingdom market for goods or services.

These industries are coal min. ing machinery, rail transport, road construction, water supply and treatment, and gas supply and distribution.

Four guidelines are proposed by the ACARD group: 1. The R and D necessary to explore new concepts and systems of operation, or the safe and efficient operation of existing systems, is the proper responsibility of the purchaser. 2. R and D that should lead to products or expertise marketable outside the United King-

dom public sector is the proper responsibility of the supplier, in some cases with financial sup-port from the purchaser.

3. Where a programme sup-ported by the public sector is capable of leading within five years to equipment or experise which can be marketed outside the United Kingdom public sector, there should be private

sector participation in planning,

direction and funding of the

cerned have been invited to discuss possible joint ventures with the corporation. Technology News

The competition was organized jointly by the NRDC and the National Computing Centre last September to encourage normally extend to control, and substantial funding, if export cation of microprocessors new products, processes and sales are likely to exceed the public-sector requirement.

But a sudden transfer of R and D to the private sector would not be wise, the report services. Yesterday the win-ners were presented with their awards in London by Sir Keith

Four criteria were used in judging the competition: degree of novelry, potential commercial value, technical and commercial possibility and standard of documentation. Two main categories covered projects in working-model form and those on paper; and a special prize was awarded to a school project.

start of the group's investi-gation there was a feeling that the large public-sector organiz-ations might not be getting the hest deal in their R and D; six prize-wingerscoincidentally, the NRDC says
—represent six different estgories. They are a small firm,
a subsidiary of a large company, a common-ownership company, a university team, a private individual and a school

The winner of the first prize of £10,000 for the best invention incorporating a microprocessor and demonstrated as s working model was Sinar Agritec of Egham, Surrey, for automatic moisture meter for grain, seed, rice and other crops, This, the judges said. was "a brilliant combination of inventive genius and hard-headed practicality".

Three aspects of the design were judged to be particularly impressive: ingenuity in the weighing and water-content measurement; efficiency in compressing the calibration compressing the calibration data for different crops into a single microcircuit; and simpli-city in the method of operating the device. Worldwide market prospects are believed to be

Second prize in this category vent to a team from the mecha nical engineering department of University of Manchester Insti-tute of Science and Technology. for an interactive programming system for numerically con-trolled lathes. Here the main benefit is that skilled machinists can use their knowledge while the microprocessor takes the drudgery out of routine metal

The programming is done by the machinist and not by specialist computer programmers, drawing on pre-pro-grammed data to handle the main variables. Inventions such as this one could "invigorate Britain's struggling machine tool industry", the judges said. Third prize for working models went to Grundy Termi-nals for the company's "Truestock" stock control system. The main novelty here is the simple method of using the systent : parts are identified simply hy pointing a light pen at the appropriate part of an overlay

In the second category, for paper projects, the winner was MDB Electronics (UK) of Dept-ford, London, for a portable electrocardiograph machine, Second was Mr C. Goss of Twickenham for an electronic aid for people with speech handicaps.

drawing.

The special prize for a schools project showing both inventive of microprocessors went to Graeme Harker and Anthony McKay of the Royal Grammar School, Newcastle upon Tyne for a microprocessor-controlled theatre lighting system.

### Underwater venture

A British centre for underwater technology is to be set up jointly by Houlder Offsbore, offsbore service- and rig management company, and Comes, the French group which pro-vides diving services and underwater equipment.

In a £6m deal Houlder Offshore, a member of the Furness Withy group, has acquired a 50 per cent interest in Comex Diving, and has increased its holding from 2 per cent to 16 per cent in the parent Comex SA company.

The two companies have already worked in close association over a number of years in the North Sea. The strengthened partnership should give a strong marketing base to Houlder in the Far East founded on the French company's activities in Indonesia, China and the Soviet

Kenneth Owen

# Inflation accounting and the test of industrial realism

From Mr A. J. Merrett and that is essentially sources of trial assers it is a shares would be to Mr Allen Sykes 🐠 Sir, In his March 10 article Geoffrey Whittington criticizes other participants in the in-flation accounting debate for read our original article or first letter (February 25) at all carefully, and is himself guilty of what he imputes to others. He takes no notice of the careful distinctions we have made and imputes to us views we do not hold. Further in no sense is he a supporter of ED 24 but rather of an enhanced CPP method. Our second letter, published simultaneously with his article answers at least one of his points (the automatic allowance for gearing) but the-

remainder require a reply.

The first point to note is that he virtually ignores our basic distinction between productive and investment assets. This is shown most clearly in his use of house ownership as an example rather than an industrial productive asset. Yet ahouse is not a satisfactory example of a productive asset: it is primarily an investment asset and so cannot be used to disprove our reasoning on pro ductive assets. It should be obvious that a house is essenti ally an investment asset; it is so recommended in all personal investment advice writings, and

tis life usually extends well beyond that of its owners. Further, unlike most produc-tive assets it has a ready secondhand market and resale. values almost equal replacement costs. If we were to live forever, however, and so would always need at least a mini-mum sized house, such a house would be a productive asset, and a rise in its resale value would typically be of little use to us and certainly not a realistic part of our income since we all have to continue to live somewhere. Given, however, temporarily (certainly large family houses which we usually sell on retirement for a smaller one) it is clear that most houses are primarily investment assets,

assets and the typical industrial . Whose judgment productive asset is very considerable, as our article showed. It should therefore be noted failing either to give clear defi- It should therefore be noted nitions or to reveal their that we were most careful nor implicit assumptions. Regret to say that rises in asset values tably his article primarily could never give rise to gains demonstrates that he has not —in fact we say almost the opposite. We point out that where rises in the replacement cost of productive assets can passed on in full and earn an acceptable return, again this is a welcome event and replacement costs would not be justified. But where replacement costs rises in productive

assets cannot be passed on in

full, still less earn an accept-

able profit, then in these precisely defined circumstances we point out that there is no benefit from so-called holding By definition future profits (and future cash flows) will be lower. Yet in these circumstances ED 24 will record at-least the borrowed-realized proportion of holding gains as a profit—a profit presumably to be taxed to be used for divi-dends, higher wages, etc. Our argument is that patently there is no such profit. A profit is only thought to exist in such

circumstances because of the

false analogy with investment

assets (where such rises are un-reservedly to be welcomed), a false analogy Mr Whittington makes in common with ED 24 proponents. It is because we do not share the view that rises in replacement costs on productive assets ment costs on productive assets are, welcome events, as they impoestionably are for investment assets, that we do take a gloomer view of the current prospects for much of British industry than Mr. Whitrington and ED 24 proponents. As our article pointed out, the stock market strikingly supports our market strikingly supports our view in that average industrial companies are trading at under a third of the replacement costs of their assets, a huge and ominous discrepancy. In other words the stock market does not accept the validity of the benefits from holding gains on productive.

The contrast between such high as at present broadly right bec correctly perceived there can be a improvement in in fits (requiring into increased in produ ciency, etc) much industry will nor replace its existing they wear out. The debate on inflation matters because i important for all o profits realistically can any remedies

To aid in the as industrial reality. Mr Whittington and ponents a question. British Leyland in last five years and ment costs rise in 20 per cent. This ing gain of £5x and in annual costs pose further that increase cannot befull, still less at a Suppose finally, the tool replacement c 40 per cent Briti many lines and halants when exist tools wear out. T be added to CCA or of gearing or any c ments for the 20 p in replacement co would cause Briti This, rather than correct example of

production asset I rises can be shown distributable profits the future: unless can properly be tax less these rises can taken into accoun are realistic.

A. J. MERRETT

### Qualification of secretary

From Mr J. H. Tresman Sir, The new clause (No 75) added to the Companies Bill in

the Commons states:
"It shall be the duty of the directors of a public company to take all reasonable steps to secure that the secretary, of each joint secretary, of the company is a person who appears to them to have the

The classe goes on to goth, the directors to believe that the and who:

(a) held the office of term better able to qualify their (a) held the office of secret members for the post than tary, assistant or deputy secret differ bodies in (e), tary on the appointed day. This is so obviously wrong (b) had held the effice of the secretary in a company other paers to vote against the inclutant a public company prior to the local difference of the secretary in a company other paers to vote against the inclutant appointment. his appointment (c) is a member of certain

bodies mentioned in sub section (d) is a barrister, advocate or solicitor in the United Kingdom

(e) is a person who by virtue of his holding or having held any other position, or being a member of any other body,

### Short-sighted

From Mr David L. Jackson Sir, Mr Baker (March 11) paints a woeful picture as to where anybody who is unsophisticated in financial affairs should now co for financial advice. The banks purport to provide a service-what sort of service is it that encourages people to bor-row at over 30 per cent per annum? I agree with him that the use of credit cards has many advantages if the ex-tended credit offered is not taken up but that is how Barclaycard and Access make

their money. Does the public, as Mr Baker suggests, have to learn the hard way that its friendly bank manager is a wolf in sheep's clothing nowadays and far from clothing nowadays and far from giving advice simply points people in a direction where maximum interest can accrue to the bank? I for one think this is very short sighted behaviour for the banks (today's borrower may be tomorrow's depositor) and at the same time it contributes to a gradual erosion of respect for one of the country's main institutions. country's main institutions. Yours faithfully, DAVID JACKSON, 5-6 Yarmouth Place, London WIY 7DW. March 12.

appears to the directors to be capable of discharging those The listed bodies are the members of the CCAB plus the Chartered - Secretaries and:

productive: assets, the over-

whelming proportion of indus-

Administrators. It is the society's contention that, notwithstanding the under- alleged by Professi taking given by the Under Sec-retary for Trade, that this clause requisite knowledge and ex is not merely unnecessary as perience to discharge the (a) is the situation as it functions of secretary of the exists and if one has (e) why company." have (c) ? but that it misleads

tion of this clause when hill returns to the Lords. Yours faithfully,

OHN E TRESMAN, Recretely, The Society of Company and Commercial Accountants, 11 Portland Road,

Edgbaston, Birmingham B16 9HW.

### Language aid

Broin Mr L. N. Brown Sir. The recent article (March 10) by Mr Bob Crew drew ettention to the importance of British engineers, lawyers and other professional having competence in foreign languages. Here in Birmingham University the Faculty of Law and the Department of French have, since 1976, been offering a new four-year course which combines the study of English and French law with the study of French language, and leads to an LLB (Law with French) degree. The student spends his or her third year in the Law

Faculty of Limoges University. The course has been beavily oversubscribed by highly qualified school-leavers, who evidently wish to improve their skill in a foreign language while at the same time pursuing a vocationally oriented course.

Birmingham is now only one of some half dozen British law schools providing law and guage courses, a combination which was given urong support by the Advisory Committee on Legal Education in a report issued under Lord Justice Law-ton's chairmeaship in 1978. L. NEVILLE GROWN. University of Birmingham, Birmingham B15 2TT.

### The correc diagnosis to engineers From Sir Reginald N

Sir, May a mer attempt seeming lack (March 7), in the the Flowers and reports.

I recently attended the Parliamentar Committee when Finniston talked part in several discu engineers and repl would seem that organization to rea red engineers, and ensineering educatio -analogous to the Gen cal or General Dente Council related and f

the professions couce It would seem engineering, such a do much to confirm and to promote f recognition of charte eers within our soc in no way damaging functions and aspirati existing engineering it I am not qualified

Finniston's advocacy
body's additional res engineering though I must confess reservations about 1 dependent, on the Gt and the long-suffer Yours faithfully.

REGINALD MURLE The Royal College of 5 of England. 35-43 Lincoln's Inn Pie London WCZA 3PN March 10

Free market From Professor F. A.

Sir, Sir Eric Roll make Milton Friedman (Mar having said that " the Western civilization res free market ". Surely! fessor Friedman had said what he clearly namely that the whole ern civilization rests much free market as nient allowed, he wou been perfectly right. Yours faithfully, Ir. A. HAYEK, Urachstrasse 27, D-7800 Freiburg.

In the case of nuclear

employed does not sec

# Disputes threat to nuclear power

Sir, The Government's present energy policy takes into account the instability of the oil produc-ing countries and the pre-erful position of the miners. But in deciding to embark on a programme of 10 nuclear stations over the next decade it seems to be placing its head firmly in the hon's mouth. Both during the final stages of nuclear plant construction and during operation, the vast sums of capital involved (over one billion pounds for a Pressurized Water Reactor) are severely endan-gered by the possibility of industrial action by a few

employees. The Central Electricity Generating Board's £560 million Isle of Grain power plant has recently been held up by the action of a mere 27 laggers and Bill Johstone in its final stages of construc-

it wants each nuclear station completed within six to seven years. At any one time £5 bil-lion would be invested in construction before any energy was produced. But if the Isle of Grain oil fired station's experience was to be repeated, an extra 55 billion would also be tied up because of delays, "comparable to the entire annual capital investment by British manufacturing industry", as the Sunday Times recently pointed out.

Again during the present steel strike, we have seen how the withdrawal of safety work of Europe's biggest blastfurnace at Redcar was only narrowly averted. The colossol loss of investment—£110 million—that the irrevocable damage to the furnace would have caused can only be contrasted with the potency of this blackmail weapon in the hands of the few safety workers concerned.

ensure managerial There is no reason National Union of Workers should not " emerge and the worker nuclear power station wa in an excellent position to strength to strike act another part of the industry. It would be wiser to rap all sours energy, especially those withdrawal of labour do automatically bring abou destruction of r' capital
If heavy reliance is play
nuclear power, then the
force would have to be n
ized, a concept unaccepta a democratic country su

Yours faithfully. PRANK PILKINGTON. 44 Josephine Avenue, London, SW2.

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SHAREHOLDERS:

Extracts from the Chairman's Statement

The trading profit for 1979 was £4,391,691 compared with £3,618,842 for the previous

recommends a dividend of £1,000,000 (7.27% on the increased capital averaged over

year. The sum of £1,250,000 has been transferred to General Reserve. The Board

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# First thoughts on the Carter package

onal financial markets gave an thumbs up" yesterday to President anti-inflation package. True, the et profit-taking in New York after antial rises in other markets earlier ly. But the undertone appeared firm and majority financial opinion to have been suitably impresned by rican measures.

said, a great deal of international vas clearly moving into the dollar the prospect of still higher United terest rates in the short-term. Threenoney rates in New York moved e 18 per cent level and prime rates cent plus cannot now be far off. ong that money will stay there is,

, another and rather more important . It is goin gto take time for the n measures to work an othe real test Imerican atuborities will lie in their to keep the screws turned tight or long enough.

while, sterling again behaved with resilence in tradeweighted terms to ally fractionally lower on the day been almost 1 per cent off before A February current account deficir 1, if nothin gto shout about, was at mewhat better in both size and than had been generally expected; big shakeout in many (dollar sted) commodities can only be good the months ahead.

s important for the authorities at the is the way in which sterling interest e managing to hold their ground he pressure of rising dollar rates. eriod rates were rather firmer in late yesterday, but the authorities btless be well satisfied if they can 18 per cent ceiling on rates over the

vill doubtless suit the Chancelior too, at his Budget speech is now going to be rather different from the one tht have been forming in his mind rn of the year.

zinly the smart money has firmly n the sidelines following the details arter package. Opinions differ about imate impact of the proposed s but with short term Eurodallar rates around six points above bond ere is clearly no urgency to do any-

day the LIBOR three-months rate a point to stand at over 20 per cent e yield on five to seven years dollar as only around 141 per cent.

me clear thing from the interest r is that the pressure on other curis becoming intolerable. With the elding as much as 50 per cent more : Deutschemark and nearly 70 per re than the Swiss franc some furustinents in rates seem on the cards question now is when that will

cently announced 9 per cent in the discount rate now looks puny and set to go further. As for sterling, sked an impossibly high rate only igo now looks quite normal and the ected bull market in gilts may take o come about.

as Euromarket rates are concerned now a gaping anomaly. Long-term e traditionally higher than shorttes while the precise reverse is the

icans have become cynical about dministration's economic packages. Presidential and other elections just the corner they are not sure how s will respond to the Carter plan my case it is clear that at best infla-I take time to begin falling. Euroin the other hand, are more prone the longer view.

see some light at the end of the What the Carter package has almost y done is to make sure that a recescoming and that it will bite hard: ggests that the oil price, in real. t least, is unlikely to make specprogress, that commodity prices will pfall and that demand for money ntually fall.

then will take the classical shape of ates of interest and an eventual bull in long term bonds.

### t Developments

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zain Barratt Developments has proset of figures which fly in the face inventional wisdom about the housesector. After six months, profits per cent higher at £11.5m and that alue sales gain of 36 per cent at So Barratt is notching up its mar-a bousing market which looks well

: worst recession since the war.

It attributes this to better marketing which is gaining share from its competitors There is another side to this coin though. Marketing, especially when it involves subsidising mortgages, as Barratt is doing with obvious success in terms of units sold, is expensive. Borrowing have been rising, taking gearing up from around 45 per cent at the end of last year to perhaps 65 per cent now, although that partly reflects cash put out for acquisitions of £6.5m which should soon make a positive return and heavy investment in industrial and commercial property projects, an area which should be producing income of around £3m by the end of next year.

Thus Barratt remains relaxed in the face of scepticism; it will aim to sell some 11,000 units this year (5,250 already sold) and with acquisitions has accumulated a land bank which would ensure production at the present rate for about three years.

The difficulty for the market, of course, is that housebuilders have been seen to come and go too often before, especially ambitious ones. Has Barratt found the for-mula for stability even when recessions are

Hhe next 18 months will show, but meanwhile no one is prepared to take an overoptimistic view; the shares at 118p yield 141 per cent assuming the 20 per cent increase in the interim dividend is followed through with the final, and Barran sells at around 31 times fully taxed earnings taking top-end forecasts of a £27m profit this year. This is still a share for the brave only.

BTR

### **Maintaining** momentum

BTR's growth halo still shows no signs of slipping despite the steadily deteriorating trading outlook, especially in the automotive and engineering industries, for the group's

After the 50 per ceut first-half jump, industrial disruption costing some £4m and the stronger pound restrained the second six months a little to leave the full year 43 per cent shead at £57.2m.

For a group whose 40 per cent compound growth rate over the past decade has leant heavily on an aggressive acquisition policy, the past year has seen strong internal growth which has accounted for £9.3m of the £17.1m pre-tax advance.

True that was helped by £1.75m of loss elimination in Germany now in the black to the tune of £1.5m and the closure of APG Australia cut out £300,000 of losses there

With Europe slowing—profits were just under a third up at £39.4m—BTR's push



Sir David Nicolson, chairman of BTR Industries.

overseas, especially in the United States with SW Industries and Worcester, is improving its geographical profile and the rectnilink with Swire should help the expanding Far Eastern interests.

Eve nwithout further acquisitions, which could include a return for Bestobell where it retains its 25 per cent stake, after last year's takeover defeat, BTR is still confident of further growth in the current year even though the fully-taxed p/e ratio of 121, getting on for twice the market average, eaves little room for any disappointment.

Even with a one for three scrip issue and a better than expected dividend increase to 16.4p gross giving a more respectable 5 per cent yield, the shares only managed to hold their own at 326p although the market

was weak yesterday. For the moment another of BTR's regular rights calls look unnecessary given the stronger balance sheet and a £7m rise in liquid resources last year but it seems just as clear that the group would like a sizable takeover, perhaps in the United States, to add to its steady stream of small acquisiHugh Clayton

# Farming: the old alliance under strain

have fallen out. The billing and cooing that lasted for most of last year has been replaced by snarling recrimination.

A Hampshire farmer said recently to Mr Peter Walker, Minister of Agriculture, Fish-eries and Food: "I am not getting any price incentive out of the market to expand my production. We need to use the money we would like to invest to keep our businesses ticking over We need to use ticking over. We need to use it to pay these very high rates of interest."

The exchange was interesting because he was a Conservative speaking at a meeting of Con-servatives, held at Newbury, Berkshire. He remembered Mr Walker at meetings of the Young Conservatives many Young

Mr Walker's reply gave a reminder of the special relation-ship between the present Cov-ernment and farmers. "Last ernment and termers. "Last year was a bad year for lamb because of the winter", he said, "I personally decided to increase the size of my flock. I do not look with a gloomy eye at the prospects for the lamb flock in the coming

The Conservative Party is stuffed with politicians who are also farmers. When Mr Walker awarded record increases in subsidies for hill livestock last year, he was one of the beniticieries.

In fact, all four ministers in

Farmers' Union for more than 30 years. Sir William Elliott, Conservative MP for Newcastle-on-Tyne, North, and chairman of the Commons Select Committee on Agriculture, has farmed since 1939.

Mr John Spence, Conservative MP for Thirsk and Malton and a member of the Select Committee, says in Who's Who that he is a member of the National Farmers' Union and the Country Landowners' Association.
Mr Peter Mills, Conservative
MP for Devon, West, and
chairman of the Parliamentary
party's committee on agriculture, fisheries and food, has farmed since 1943.

It would be wrong of assume that the farming interest among Conservative politicians is con-fined to a declining and anti-quated squirearchy. Mr Delwyn quared squirearchy. Mr Delwyn Williams, who entered the Commons for the first time last year after taking Montgomery from the Liberals, is a farmer's son. Sir Henry Plumb, president of the National Farmers' Union from 1970 to 1979, fought the first direct elections to the European Parliament as a Conservative and is now chairman. servative and is now chairman the agriculture commi.:ee

Mr Richard Butler, his suc-cessor as president of the NFU, is a son of Lord Butler of Saffrom Walden and a brother of Mr Adam Butler, Minister of State at the Department of Industry.
It is not surprising that

farmers believed that the arrival bis department are farmers of a Conservative Government Other parliamentary colleagues who farm include Lord Carringperity and cordial relations ton, the Foreign Secretary, has





Mr Peter Walker (left), Minister of Agriculture, and Mr Richard Butler, President of the National Farmers' Union: "The Government must provide further resources".

The Conservatives gave themselves five years in their manifesto to eliminate the green pound gap which had been the pivot of farmers complaints against the Labour government. The green pound was used in the late 1970s as a device for holding down the price of food in Britain.

In 1976 the level of farm prices in Britain was at times more than 40 per cent below that in the rest of the EEC. The arrengthening of the pound in the past year and the deci-sion of the Conservatives to devalue the green pound three times eliminated the gap not in five years, but in less than

The farming Conservatives in Westminster and Conservative far-mers in the NFU seemed to be working. The love affair reached its height late last year when Mr Butler went to Number 10 Downing Street to see the Prime Minister and Mr Walker. He emerged glowing with optimism.

tabled a long list of further demands which have not yet been mer. Mr Butler acknow-ledged at the annual meeting of the union that the Govern-ment had done much for farmers in 1979 but its added ominously: "The Govern-

Since then the union has

The gulf between ministers and farmers has widened this year during the long-run-up to the EEC price-fixing for the coming 12 months. The NFU supports the claim by Coua, the EEC committee of agricultural producers' organizations, for an average rise of 7.9 per cent in Community-wide prices for foods covered by the Common Agricultural Policy.

It also wants the Government to consider awarding extra increases in Britain with what are described disarmingly as "positive monetary compensa-tory amounts". That is convenient mumbo-jumbo to disguise the fact that after years of campaigning for the green pound gap to be closed, farmers want it to be opened again in the opposite direction. In other words, after cam-paigning for British prices to

he raised to the level of the rest of the EEC, and having won the campaign, they now want them to be pushed beyond the level of the rest of the Community. The NFU says that higher prices are justified in Britain because rates of interest and inflation are higher in this country than elsewhere.

The union has miscalculated.

their affairs were directed by ment must, by one measure or ernment will not allow it to Mr John Silkin.

At first the magic worked. sources "Copa claim at Newbury, saying Copa claim at Newbury, saying that it was based on an out or date formula.

Mr Butler forgot when he harangued the Prime Minister and Mr Walker at Number 10 that he was addressing a grocer's daughter and a grocer's son. He forgot that the Cun-servative manifesto said that "our agricultural and our food industries are as important and efficient as any that we have."

The food processing industry and the grocery trede have implored Mr. Walker to be seduced by farmers claims for large price rises, saying that they will simply depress demand for food.

Mr Tim Fortescue, secretary-general of the Food and Drink Industries Council, told farm-ers at Newbury: "Farmers all over Europe are producing non-food to be bought by inter-vention boards and stated and never to be seen again, EEC prices are going to go down. There is absolutely no escaping from it.

The food processing industry also has lines of communicition to the Government. Mr Fortescue was a Conservative MP for almost eight years and spent time in the whips office under Mr Heath. Mr Butler appears to have forgetten his father's dictum that "the art Its leaders have encouraged a father's dictum that "the art belief among members that it of government is only the art can hit targets which the Gov- of what is possible".

# Why employers dislike strike reform proposals

There are employers who would like to abolish trade unions completely, and who do not think the Government's proposals to curb secondary industrial action go far enough. At the other end of the spectrum are those who want trade unions which are strong enough to make their agreements stick and who regard the proposals as a retrograde move.

In the middle are the majority who simply think that

the power balance has rilted too far in the direction of trade unions and who welcome modest legislative changes to

help them redress it.

All three points of view are likely to be heard at the Confederation of British Industry tomorrow, when the grand council tries to agree a collective reply to the Secretary of State for Employment. Their views must be submitted by The result of the CBI's deli-

berations is likely to be a fairly bland document broadly supporting the Government. But, behind the scenes, feelings are running high. Industrialists are getting fed

up coping with the backwash of disputes, like the steel strike, over which they have no conover which they have no con-trol. They also resent having to stand by helplessly while their employees are coerced into actions which are not in their own best interests and are. the employers believe against the wishes of the majority.

So far. Sir John Methven, the director general, and other CBI leaders have managed to keep the official responses on a cool and reasonable plane. But the resentments may bubble over tomorrow.

Concern about the new procategories. First, employers are disappointed that legal immunity would continue to be given to trade unions for industrial action which involves suppliers



Striking steel workers picket the Port Talbot BSC plant, South Wales.

who regularly conduct a substantial part of their business with such a party."

A common view is that if the changes are to have any signifi-cant effect, immunity should be confined entirely to ind arrial action at the place of work. Employers ergue that the pro-posals tould block the possi-bility of further legislation restricting immunities solely to primary": industrial action, even if this is seen later as something which ought to have been fore.

They also argue that by recognizing any degree of action at all beyond that involving the employer in dispute, as respectable and legitimate, the provisions will simply open the gates to all forms of disruption outside the place of work.

Secondly, there is concern among a strong body of employers that they should be able to take out a court injunction against unions rather than individuals and to seek recompense from union funds.

and customers as well as the semployer.

What the proposals say is that there should continue to be no rights to bring civil proceedings against strikers who of a dispute and therefore of the employer in customers of the employer in dispute who were not them selves party to the dispute but serious union funds.

Finally, some industry representatives are proposing a third test which industrial action must satisfy before it can be regarded as "in furtherance" of a dispute and therefore emact immunity. The two tests already proposed by the Secretary of State for Employment are: whether or not selves party to the dispute but

Lords judgments on Express Newspapers v MacShane and Duport Steels and others v Sus and others. But some em-ployers would like to add another which is that a trade another which is that a trade union would have to exhaust agreed disputes procedures including the use of arbitration and to go through a secret ballot before calling industrial action. There are those, too, who would like to see this test applied before may social payments are made to strikers.

ments are made to strikers' dependants. It also wants to give minority groups of trade unionists the statutory right to call a ballot in given circumstances in the same way that a minority of shareholders can seek an overall expression of views. The Asso-ciation of British Chambers of Commerce has reservations about whether the widening of the "conscience provisions" for non-union membership will work in practice. Instead it would dismissal for non-union membership to no longer pro-

capable " of furthering the dispute in question and whether or not it was taken predominantly in pursuit of that dispute end not principally for some "extraneous motive".

These are, of course, two of the basic tests which the Court of Appeal was developing before the recent House of Lords judgments on Express union membership or member-

union membership or member-ship of any particular union could disrupt existing stable bargaining arrangements by encouraging splinter groups to defect.
The EEF's view is supported

by others, particularly em-ployers such as the nationalized industries who have bad long experience of working with closed shops and who believe that the proposals would merely crease opportunities for mavericks to make mischief. This group thinks it would be better

to concentrate on making agreements with united and getting them to honour tham. getting them to honour them. If nothing else, the proposals have been useful in forcing employers and their representatives to clarify their views on where they stand in relation to trade unions. It is a pity that the legislative document, against which the talks are taking place was not easier to understand. The Bill is a mass understand. The Bill is a mass of subsections, headless, hyphens and cross references to earlier legislation. Some clauses dely even the emerts.

The most common misunderstanding is that the proposed new law will require union to hold a ballot and obtain 80 per cent approval before, negotiating a closed shop. This may be the intention but as Mr R. C. Sonsom, director of the Contractors' Plant Association has policial desired. tion, has pointed out, the actual. proposed legislation does nothing of the sort. It merely provides grounds for an unfair dismissal action by an employee who has been sacked for noncompliance if such a bailot has not been beid.

It cannot be much encouragement to the Government that so many industrialists, for different reasons, think that the proposals intended to help them will do more harm than

But industrialists realize porfectly well that the Government can only move as far as public opinion will permit. Their dilemma is whether they should present their tase as what in an ideal world they would want or whether they should ari-only for what they could reasonably expect to get.

Patricia Tisdail

# Business Diary: Pouring oil on troubled ENI • Slam tomorrow

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nt chairman.

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jeless. Mazzanti has ced to resign, evidently ce to the Saudis, who ssions" were to be

by Saudis. offs and general uncer- rectified."

the employers of the tainty have rattled managers at state hydrocarbons cor- group operating companies like ENI, who have been Egip, Snam, Snamprogetti and ing their Prime Minis- Saipen, which have a high repu-Unlike many top men in

nent, know where they Italian industry, Egidi is more manager than politician. In Egidi, who came in 1977, Egidi left ENI after many ember as a temporary years following a tiff with ent commissioner to EM's then chairmen, Pietro until the end of Israe Care Herro eing confirmed as their Fiat's engineering and public works consultancy, Impresit Now he is back among many old friends and, it is to be hoped, not too many old enemies.

> The Consumers Association library recently ordered a book called The Might Micro: Imns in Iraly that the computer Revolution. The book was late in has not only to suck apologize for the delay in pro-Arabs, but to rehabili- cessing your order. This was battered company, caused by a major computer of innuenda about poli- failure which has now been



HONOWOOD.

"Certainly, Prime Minister, cuts of an extra three and a half billion in central and local government expenditure by 3.15 this afternoon. Shall I repeat that, madam?"

Americans have been told in a blaze of publicity, ignited by the White House, that cuts in government services are to House, the sums are hard ones clamp down inflation. But as and cannot be rushed. voters turn out for the presiden-

they have not the forgiest about what services will suffer. In New York and Connecticut next week, nobody will be any

President Carter may be cackcoming, and arrived with a handed about some things but plaintive note which said: "We he is too asture a campaigner to let voters, whose support he needs, know how hard he is about to club them over their is happening. Budget briefing heads. He will not even say documents issued to the press whether he has decided to cut at the weekend contained the Saturday post as rumoured.

The President says budget cuts of roughly \$13,000m are on the way, but, says the White

Surprise, surprise-by sheer coincidence the White House the NEB should be a bit steadier as Sir Arthur Kuight the end of the month—just after the present round of primaries on its shorter leash.

Taddy Kennado

Teddy Kennedy. Even were delay not so politi-cally useful, the White House is in such confusion these days that it seems sometimes that it does not know itself just what is happening. Budget briefing documents issued to the press wrong figures.

Board may be much smaller than before, but that does not mean to say that it is being He has been showing off fourlet out of the sight of the Industry Secretary, Sir Keich Joseph. A Department of In-dustry under-secretary will be moving down Victoria Street at the end of this month to take our coasts. over as secretary to the board. Brian Willott will be replac-

ing John Caines, another civil servant who has been on secondment to the NEB, survived the boardroom upheaval at the end of last year when the old board and its chairman Sir Leslie Murphy resigned over the transfer back to the Dol of responsibility for Rolls-

Caines returns to the Depart-ment of Trade on completion of his three-year stint. By the time Willott takes over, life at Civil Service Willott has been

secretary to the Industrial De-

velopment Advisory Board, a lot of eminent outsiders to

whom the Government turns to

advice before splashing out on aid for big projects. He also is well qualified for the NEB's role as a catalyst for high technology industry.

The National Enterprise Michael Vaughan, a young Board may be much smaller Canadian, is trying to "mussel" than before, but that does not in on the British seafood market. inch Canadian molluses at London's Inn on the Park, they were served seven different ways to make their mark against their smaller cousins clinging to

"Wich our mussels you get four times as much meat per pint", he boasts, "but that's hardly surprising since they are so cossetted. We raise them in nylon stockings suspended from buoys off Newfoundland, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island. That way they live very clean lives—no dead crabs, or

bits of grit and sand." Vaughan's cultivated mussels already sell in New York, though freight costs alone are higher than the selling price there for the wild article.

BL's plans to renew its aging range of cars are given pith and point by an announcement from a London firm that it is to replace its fleet of German BMW's with BL motors. The company is in antiques and its motto is "Established in the Twentieth Century for the per-petuation of all that is 2000 from the Eighteenth and Nineteenth Centuries."

# Developments Limited

**FURTHER OUTSTANDING PROGRESS** The Barratt Group made further major progress during the six months ended 31st December, 1979, and ended the decade with

INTERIM STATEMENT

s best ever half	year results. The following	are the unaudited
	Half Year ended	Half Year ended
	31st December 1979	21st December 1978
•	£'000	6,000
ornover	102,391	75,449
et Profit	11,509	8.157
Madon	2,300	
	9,209	8.157

The Group's position as Britain's major private housebuilder was The Group's position as Britain's major private housebuilder vas further consolidated with an increasing share of the market with the newer subsidiaries in the South and the Middands making an increasingly important contribution. In the Group's more traditional markets in the North and in Scotland, three recent acquisitions with a total cash cost of £6.5 million, will enable it to maintain its market leadership in these areas.

The policy of expanding the property investment portfolio continues to gain momentum and a substantial number of commercial and industrial projects will become income producing during the next eighteen months. The Group is on target to meet its objective of 53 million of property investment income by 30th Other sectors of the Group's business also made progress. The Other sectors of the Group's oursiness also made progress, the property conversion company continues to expand, contracting currently profitable though unlikely to make a significant contribution to the Group's annual result and the diversification into the leisure industry is at an advanced stage with construction

due to commence this month. During the period the Group has successfully concluded negotiations with the major clearing banks and now has available. to it i30 million of perm finance of between five and ten-years at variable rates of interest in addition to substantial over-draft facilities.

These facilities taken in conjunction with the extremely strong land bank and buoyant demand for its products enable the Group to look forward with confidence not only to the end of its financial vear, but well beyond.

An interim dividend of 3.5p per per share has been declared and this will be payable on 30th May, 1980, to shareholders on the register at close of business on 2nd May, 1980. This is an increase of 20%, over the comparable dividend paid last year.

L. A. BARRATT

Stock markets

# Selling in oils, golds; index 6 pts down

began the second leg of the account in a nervous mood ahead of the February trade

Comment all last week that one broker may be in trouble following the recent plunge in secondary oils and Australian issues, helped to unsteady things. But in the event, although several names were bandied about, it all proved to be of no avail as account day passed off normally.
Instead, dealers were left to

ponder over what surprises the Chancellor may have in his Budger speech now only eight days' business away and the latest anti-inflation package delivered by President Carter over the weekend. As a result, it all provided for a rather dull trading session, with the general lack of interest tending to let

prices drift easier. Oils again came in for a battering but this pine several panied by golds which were weaker on the lower bullion price. Selling was reported by both sectors and, with the extreme volatility being experienced, brokers were anticipating a few days' more of rough passage before prices started to steady themselves.

Despite the selling pressure in oils, jobbers were now be ginning to discount the "wind-fall tax" being predicted in some quarters, but were now very much resigned to the idea of an increase in petroleum revenue tax. However, this was of little consolation to the shares which continued to drift

throughout the day.
The trade figures were almost instantly dismissed and despite a tendency to make made very little impact. The

note again yesterday, as dealers judged to be pretty deplorable, 274p and ICI closed 4p lower 160pbut it was still a better performance than the previous set

As a result, gilts showed a slightly better tone in after hours, after earlier selling ahead of the figures.

Longs finished the day with falls averaging £2, while at the shorter end of the market, the Reports of a second-half im-

provement are not helping Kitchen Queen. The shares have dipped 5p to 15p in the last useek, 42p above the price paid for the former chairman's 28 per cent stake. Then the share price stood at 29p. With the group expected to announce interim losses of £300,000 soon the shares were holding steady at 15p yesterday.

losses were between £1 and £1.

Leading industrials encountered small pockets of selling most of the day, but this had dried up by late afternoon, but event the FT Index closed at its lowest point, 6.7 down at 433.2.

Unilever was an unusually weak market, dipping 10p to

Company
Int or Fin
Abwood Machine (1)
Beaton Clark (F)
BETR (F)
BE

a. oreen roops (1) 2.1(2.4)
Invergordon Dist (F) 24.4(14.96)
Montagu Boston (F) -(--)
Pittard Grp (F) 23.6(16.0)
Raylon (F) 13.0(10.1)
Rivoli Cinemas (I) 0.09(0.01)

at 360p. Falls of a couple of pence were witnessed in Glaxo at 244p, Beecham at 116p, Pilkington Bros at 211p and

BATs shed 3p to 233p.
While jobbers were able to report some good buyers about among the majors, the general lack of interest tended to push prices lower. BP finished 4p off at 346p closely followed by Shell 12p lower at 358p and Ultramar which shed a similar

amount to 484p.

Burmah drifted 10p to 194p,

Tricentrol 12p to 264p and

Lasmo 15p to 428p. Among the more speculative issues Viking held up fairly well after the latest proposed bid of 450p from Mr Bunker-Hunt, which lield the share price steady at 1050p, but sell-ing knocked 52p from Siebens at 525p. Aran Energy, bottoming out after its recent cash call to shareholders, closed

unchanged at 350p.

The weakness in oils soon spread to companies with North Sea interests. Imperial Conti-nental Gas rumbled 28p to 700p, International Thomson 15p to 429p, Associated Newspapers 8p

Latest results

5m 0.03\*(0.035) 1.6(2.38) 57.2(40.1) 11.5(8.1) 3.3(2.2) 0.74(0.59) 4.18(2.46†) 0.015(0.012) 1.49(1.06) 1.8(1.4) 0.06(0.04)

per share (-) 33.1(60.2) 30.7(24.6)

24.9(18.0) 3.35(2.67) 19.3(14.6†)

-{-} 16.5(11.9) 14.1(10.6) 21.5(14.3)

2.63(1.87)

Trading began on a cautious overall deficit of £176m was 425p, while Fisons sked 5p at to 262p and Cawoods 2p to Howard

and a scrip issue from BTR saw the shares recover an early loss ahead of the figures to close unchanged at 326p while in shipping improved full-year figures from James Fisher on Friday from CY Tung But resulted in a 7p rise at 318p. De La Rue retreated 13p to Disappointing results clipped 1p from Beatson, Clark at 140p while Invergordon closed un-changed at 221p after a useful profits increase but Pittard

eased 1p to 43p. Reports that Bass Chartington was interested in the hotel side of Coral Leisure sparked some early interest but the lack of follow through saw the shares close the day only 1p up at 76p with Bass 3p off at 213p. The recent failure to regain its gaming licence and the ensuing redundancies resulting from the closure of its casinos clipped 7p from Ladbroke at

Channel Tunnel was again wanted in a thin market as hopes of an imminent announcement of a rail link continued to rise and pushed the shares up another 90p to

3.5(1.13)

4.0(1.84†)

-(-) 4.0(3.10) 6.0(4.57)

recently announced that its Better than expected profits' talks which might have led to a bid had broken down, staged a rally and hardened 1p to 72p along with Furness Withy, up 4p at 390p after the agreed bid 602p on profit taking and vague rumours of a rights issue being in the pipel-ne.

However, these rumours were dismissed in certain quarters. Banks remained on offer ahead of the full year figures of Barclays later in the week. Fears that the enormous profits earned by the big four con-tinued to arouse further uneasiness among dealers. In the event, Barclays at 413p, Midland at 323p and National Westminster at 316p all showed losses of 7p on the day. Bur Lloyds managed to hold

its fall down to 5p at 278p, as Royal Bank of Scotland, with figures out soon slipped, 3p to

Gold shares came in for more heavy selling from London and the Continent as the builtion price plunged S51 to \$479 an ounce. Fears over the latest fall in sterling, the strength of the dollar and President Carter's latest inflation package, all con-tributed towards a rather hecric day's trading which was pre-dominately all one way.

In mining financials, Consoli-dated Gold Fields tumbled 20p to 457p, RTZ eased 17p to 343p and De Beers D'fd 57/32 to

Equity turnover on March 14 was £94.999m (12,846 bargains). Active stocks yesterday, according to the Exchange Telegraph, were Premier Cons. Shell, RTZ, Ultranat, BP, Burmah, Furness Withy, Lasmo and GEC.

# Second half downturn at Beatson, Clark

By Rosemany Unsworth ciation, which amounted to Despite the profits Beatson, Clark, the Rother-fi.5m against £446,000 also fell the final dividend he back from £3.97m to £3.26m posed 20 per cent he facturer, saw its profits drop in and Mr Ckark pinpointed the gross which without the second half in line with exproblem as one of falling de of 4.3p, makes a financial in procession amounted at the in-mand in the pharmaceutical in gross compared with pectations amounteed at the time the group's con-terim stage when profits almost dustry for the group's con-halved.

On turnover which rose by 8 "Our original objective for-per cent to £22.4m; pre-tax 1979 was a 10 per cent increase profits were £1.6m for the year in bottle sales, but in the event ending December 29, 1979, com- we only improved by 2 per

the charman, warned at the by the increased rate by 10 per. With the share p results would be comparable cem to £6m. "As a result 1p to 140p on the with those of the first." Trading profit, before depre- Clark pointed out.

pared with the previous year's tent," he said. for the current year record £2.38m. Mr David Clark, The group's exports were his he had recently been the chairman, warned at the by the increased value of the by improved demand

With the share p cent and the p/e rat

Our original objective for performance later

# Pittard Group raises dividend

After raising profits by 64 per cent in the facet half, teather tanner Pitrard Group managed

only a one-tenth increase in the Sales growth was broadly maintained but farst half stock profits were replaced by stock losses and the strength of sterling eroded export mergins and led to fiercer competition in

However, the 40 per cent in-crease in pretax profits to £1.49m in the year to December 31, on sales ahead from £16.0m to £23.6m, was accompanied by a 29 per cent rise in the year's dividend

the United Kingdom.

Hide prices, which account for over half the finished leather price, oscillated wildly throughout 1979, rising to a peak in May and then falling by ground three-fifths by the end of the year. Stock losses for the year were at least £100,000 compared with a



Mr C. J. Pittard, chairman of

Lower hide prices have in-diced, working capital needs, but the cost of financing the higher prices for part of 1979 was reflected in the £400,000 in interest charges to £557,000. Year-end net debt was £655,000 higher at 38 per cent of shareholders' funds.

International

and releted products, as well as those of other main electric

Although foreign exchange lesses almost doubled to 4,065m yen, mainly because of the

yen's depreciation, the healthy growth in sales eliminated the

1978, of which third party sales

result comes after consolidation

Herr Petry said the improved

rose to DM12.79bn DM11.90bn

fered as sterling in still pushed up es per cent to for " important area. Der remains firm and likely to provide growth opportunity In the United Kintard should benefit recent sconsino Leather, and from of the loss-making

said the chairman

But he stressed !

too early to predict t

factory. The sale of the site could raise abo net of redundancy o But weaker demay

tard's major customs ndustry, and increase penetration from competition suggest will do well to rais 1980. Down 1p at 43p yield 13.3 per centrally taxed p/e ratio

yen, up 18 per 46,512m yen. Export

per cent to 145,820g

85,829m yen.
Sony said it e sphounce a record c

net income for the of october 31, provided

dollar exchange rate

ted consolidated n

but said the present

25,370m net in the

Airline improvu

up from 35.3m in 19

Turnover rose by cent to 3,188m fr

2,862m. The airline

tends to pay a net (\_

Banque Worms, a

Banque Worms

10.30 francs a share

'up from 9.40 francs

The French priv-Union de Transpor (UTA) has report profit for the 197 year of 39.4m frant

October 1977.

It did not disclose

### **Options**

The traded options market continued to perform quietly yesterday and the total number of contracts remained at virtually the same as last Friday's The main business was in Courtaulds with 105 contracts, while Consolidated Gold Fields whose shares lost 20p to 457p with the drop in the bullion price, traded 102 contracts.

On the traditional options side, there was more activity as dealers reported that buyers were moving in to hold their positions until after the Budget when the account ends on April

Share Capital

Reserves

Liabilities

after one year

Authorised - ordinary

shares of Dh100 each

**Issued** – ordinary shares

of Dh100 each fully paid

Profit and loss account

Current and deposit accounts

maturing within one year,

Deposit accounts maturing

Accrued interest payable

acceptances and guarantees

on behalf of customers

and other accounts

Proposed dividend

Confirmed credits,

Principal Activity:

Shareholders' Funds

including reserve for contingencies

Invergordon profits top £4m

to December 31, compared with a profit of £2.46m on sales of £14.9m in the preceding nine

On an annualized basis, pretax profits have risen by 27 cent while sales volume has shown an underlying increase of about a tenth. Most of the group's production is new fillings—a clear colourless spirit which is sold to other blenders.

Price rises averaging about 4

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16,100

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1,552,324

45,356

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2,818,315 2,022,322

560

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500,000

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996,027

82,341

19,054

8.955

733,615

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Invergordon Distillers turned in profits of £4.18m before tax on sales of £24.4m in the year or prefix margin on sales was 18 per cent compared with 16.2 per

Dividends in this table are shown net of tax on pence per share. Elsewhere in Business News dividends are shown on a gross basis. To establish gross multiply the net dividend by 1.428. Profits are shown pre-tax and

cent in the first belf.

Exports of the group's own blend grain whisky, which is sold to own-brand whisky producers overseas, showed an annualized rise of a tenth to f5m. Invergordon sells in sterling and the rise of the pound has not proved any great

The final dividend, like the interim, has been more than per cent in the second half, combined with improved yields from the group's main distillery where new equipment has been installed, contributed towards only 2.6 per cent and the p/e impact.

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UNION BANK OF THE MIDDLE EAST LIMITED

**Balance Sheet at 31st December 1979** 

Cash, balances with banks.

repayable on demand and

Accrued interest receivable

Loans and advances repayable

Deposits with banks

Loans and advances

and other accounts

within one year

atter one year

Shareholders:

Investment securities

Premises and equipment

Liabilities of customers

acceptances and guarantees

500 million (U.S. \$134 million). During the year, the Bank

consisted of 1,600,000 shares of Dh100 each fully paid.

As at 31st December 1979, the issued share capital

issued 8,000 shares of Dh100 each for cash consideration.

A bonus issue of shares has been proposed by the Directors

on a 1 for 4 basis to existing shareholders at 31st December

reserve, giving a total paid-up share capital of Dh200 million

1979 by the appropriation of Dh40,000,000 from general

(U.S. 553 million) maintaining the Bank's position as the

largest share-capitalised bank in the U.A.E.

for confirmed credits,

money at call and short notice

ratio after a 10 per cent tax charge is 11.5. Invergordon is 76 per cent owned by Carlton Industries, which is in turn controlled by Hawker Siddeley, and the shares have been the object of persistent bid rumours. However, chairman Mr Leon Roydon dismisses such talk.

1980. For Mr Roydon expects Invergordon to continue to share in the growth of the whisky industry. The forthcoming Budget may wall in-clude substantial rises in excise duty but for Invergordon, with its orders for new fillings for 1980 stready signed and sealed. this is unlikely to have any

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320,777

1,394,330

17,606

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15,759

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966,300

1,852,015 1,288,707

2,818,315 2,022,322

1,788,774 1,240,546

56,061

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311,842

43,208

869,166

11,330

26,429

13,990

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turnover fell from \$2.44m to \$2.16m in the half-year to December 31, pretax profits rose from £591,000 to £742,000. Interim dividend, gross, raised from 0.86p

Rivoli Cinemas: Turnover for six months to October 5 up from 184,000 to £52,000 and pretax profits from £46,000 to £59,000. Unlock Boldings is offering 440 10p shares for each £1 share in Ergonom International Holdings. Unlock shares are trading on the over-the-counter market at 48p, which puts a value on Ergonom of £1.08m. The enlarged group should have pretax profits of about £2m in a year, even before the merger benefits are realised.

from 1.3p to 1.3p. Morgan Grentell: The Export Credits Guarantee Department has guaranteed a £5m line of credit which Morgan Grentell has made watch Morgan Grentell has made svallable to the National Bank of Hungary. This is the minth ECGD-backed line of credit made available by Morgan Grenfell to the National Bank since 1970. The loan will help finance a wide range of United Kingdom capital south and second second

goods and associated services con-tracts placed in the United King-dom by Hungarian buyers. Holzmann Group: Revising earlier predictions of little-changed 1979 profits compared to DM19.2m (about £4.5m) earned in 1978, Philipp Holzmann AG, the West German heavy construction proup, says it expects 1979 earnings to exceed the 1978 profit.—AP-Dow tones.

Jones.
Geves Group: At the extraordinary general meeting of the Gieves Group held on March 17, 1980, the resolutions to effect the proposed reconstruction were passed. The meeting was adjourned until March 31, 1980 on which date the formal resolution to pur the company into members' voluntary liquidation will be considered. John Brown: New York, March 17.—John Brown and Co said its tender offer for Leesona Corp at \$40 a share expired on March 14 bringing in about 1.27m in Leesona shares or about 70.35 per cent.—Reuter.

### **Briefly**

R. Green Properties:

Rivell Cinemas: Turnover for six

C. E. Heath is forming a new company, C. E. Heath (LMX). The company, a subsidiary of C. E. Heath (Reinsurance Broking) will be operational from

Montagu Boston Investment Trust reports revenue, after all charges, for year to January 31 of £151,000 (£129,000). Gross dividend ruised

# Record quarterly profit for Son

Sony of Japan announced yesterday that its consolidated net profit in the first quarter to January 31 was a record 19,527m yen, up sharply from 4,412m yen in the same period a year earlier.

The net profit in the first quarter topped the entire net profit of 17,700m yen in the previous fiscal year. Sales rose 47.6 per cent to 221,962m year from 150,341m. A Sony official attributed the increases mainly to the brisk sales of video tape recorders

Steel helps Krupp to profit

Fried Krupp GmbH of West Germany expects to show a pro-fit on the group's operations in 1979 compared with a loss of DM122m (about £28.8m) in 1978, according to the chairman, Herr Heinz Petry.
This is based on the expecta-

tion of a balanced result on steelmaking activities, the first since 1974, he said.

Krupp announced earlier world group sales of DM14.26bn in 1979 against DM13.32bn in

activities in progress since 1975.
The funds ruised since Iran's acquisition of a 25 per cent stake in Krupp's DM700m basic capital have been used for internal group consolidation and not for the purchase of new companies or of stakes in other

## Sandoz net profit rises

Sandoz increased its consolidated net profit by 10.9 per cent to 173m. Swiss francs (£43m) in 1979 from 156m france in the previous year, improving its profitability rate
to 3.9 per cent from 3.6 per
cent a year earlier.
A more favourable foreign
exchange situation, rationaliza-

tion measures and price increases helped profits, Sandoz said. However, the company added that worldwide inflation-ary pressures could only be partly offset by higher selling

An unchanged dividend of 65 francs a share and 13 francs for each participation certifi-cate has been proposed.

# Bayer turnover up 14 pc

World turnover for the Bayer group rose 14 per cent to a preliminary DM26,000m, board chairman Herr Herbert Gruenewald said in a weekend speech.
He said that 1979 had been a
good year for Bayer despite
rises in the price of oil and other raw materials and cited the continuing strength of the West German economy as well as favourable capacity utiliza-tion.

Turnover for the parent company, Bayer AG, also grew by about DM11,500m, according to meliminary figures. Investments for the Bayer group were about DM2,000m in 1979, said Herr Gruenewald, up from DM1,780m in 1978.

The group recorded pretax income of DM1.240m in 1978 and the parent company showed world profit after tax of

vate bank, posted a for: 1979 of 45.2 (£4.7m), an increase cent on the 36m franc for 1978. The 1979 figure inc francs of non-recurr gains, up from 3m ; fore. The bank inter tribute a net dividen francs a share, up f francs for 1978.

Sofina proposal The Belgian holding Sofina has proposed dividend increase for 235 Belgian francs a Sofina, with a capiu than 3.000m francs. portfolio of diversifi ferable securities, pri the energy, engines finance sectors.

Bahrain banking Total assets of Bahi shore banks rose by S29.2bn in Januar S27.8bn in December, rain Monetary Agenc

# Clydesdale Bank jumps by 50 pc

Clydesdale Bank, the Scottish part of the Midland Bank Group, has followed the precedent set by London clearing banks and reported a 50 per cent rise in profits. For the year to last December pretax profits have soared from £20.7m to £30.86m and after tax were up from £9.28m to £15.79m. The dividend has been lifted from 23.5 to 26 per cent. As Clydesdale is more heavily involved in the domestic market than the London clearers, it has benefited more from the high domestic interest rates and this is reflected in cedent set by London clearing

rates and this is reflected in the figures.

In line with the policy of the Midland Group, freehold and leasehold properties with more than 100 wars to the control of the than 100 years to run, have been professionally revalued. This has thrown up a surplus of £16.67m to be added to re-serves. After payment of £1.67m in dividends, the retained profit for the year is £14.1m and overall reserves are up from £58.87m to £89.66m.

### Best-ever results by Kodak UK

Sales and earnings by Kudak Ltd. of the United Kingdom reached record levels in 1979. At £285m, sales by Kodak and its subsidiaries were up 13 per cent, mainly because of increased volume. Sales within the United Kingdom at £176m, were 12 per cent higher than 1978.

£20.2m. Expenditure on capital projects totalled £17m against which it is estimated that Government regional development grants of £1.4m will be received. This compares with £16m spent on capital projects in 1978. Capital expenditure of £23m has been earmarked for 1980.

Abwood Tools In the six months to September 30, 1979, Dartford based Abwood Machine Tools Abwood Machine Tools slumped into a pretax loss of £39,000, compared with a profit of £35,000 for the similar period of 1978. Turnover was down from £563,000 to

Interim loss at

down from £478,000. The board says the loss was due to the detrimental effects the engineering strike in August and September and other factors associated with sales and administration,

### Big turnround into loss at Stothert

Engineering group, Stothert and Pitt, slumped into a pretax loss of £926,000 in the 28 weeks to January 12, compared with a profit of £709,000 in the same period last year. Turnover dropped from £17.44m to £12.41m. There is no interim dividend for shareholders (against 3.95p gross last time) and the final-which was 12p Export sales rose by 15 per (against 3.95p gross last time) cent to £109m despite lower and the final-which was 12p prices necessitated by the last year-must wait on the full strengthening of sterling. Net year's results,

engineering strike last sutumn caused £350,000 of the loss and the fall of 29 per cent in sales revenue almost entirely resulted from a decline in the grane business. But the board believes that actions already taken will result in a progressive recovery over the next 18 months.

### \* Exciting future \* for Provident Financial

"It is difficult to be very optimistic when the United Kingdom's economy is so un-favourable and when further deterioration is widely expec-ted, warms Lord Chelmer, the chairman of the Bradford based Provident Financial Group, in his annual report to share:

High levels of unemployment, high interest rutes and high-levels of inflation combine to produce low profits in a group so dependent on consumer credit activities, the chairman says, but continues: "I never-theless believe that your company has an exciting and profitable future."

### Italmobiliare

Italmobiliare, a holding com-pany which until last year was 100 per cent controlled by Italcementi, has taken over control of a majority share-bolding in Italcementi.

### Business appointm Coutts & name director

Mr David Macdonald made a director of Cout He is a deputy chairmal Samuel & Co. and a director of general of The Panel. Mr Alastair David resign from the Courts he by the Bryan Bawkins happointed managing director in the Commerce.

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who is to retire after i.
Mr Young joins the Coris
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Mr C. Radley, manager Geigy's United Kingdom insurance department, at A Person director of J. A. Erewer, a director of have been appointed to the of CIBA-Geigy (1.1807ac vices). Mr F. W. Hutchinstelled from the board.

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Reuter, Milan. president of E. F. H. Company in New York.

The major shareholders of the Bank are Abdul Wahab Bin Ebrahim Galadari, Abdulla Hassan Rostamani, and Saudi Arab Finance Corporation S.A. In addition, there are Share Capital: The authorised capital of the Bank is U.A.E. Dichams U.A.E. Head Office:
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individuals, lirms, corporations and government departments, In particular, special emphasis is given to short and medium term finance, promotion of import and export trade to and from the United Arab Emirates, corporate finance services, foreign exchange and money market transactions, short and medium term lending in local and major world currencies, investment banking and private placements.

The Bank carries on the business of international merchant banking, together with full retail banking facilities to

Results for the Year:

After transfers to inner reserve and loan loss provision the Bank declared a protit for its third reporting period of Dh33,530,000 (Ú.S.\$8,965,000).

> approximately 130 other shareholders drawn from the U.A.E. merchant community.

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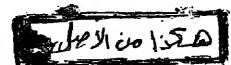
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# [. Morley | NC increases its stake in Hampton

latest deal would have cost NC E850,000. Wir Graham Lacey's National Carbonising has bought a further 240,000 shares in Hampton Gold Mining Areas to take about board representation on its stake up to 1.66 million Hampton and none were shares, 29.9 per cent of the planned.

Meanwhile Hamilborne, a brick-making company that is 53 per cent owned by Mr Lacey's Birmingham and Midland Counties Trust, is expected to return from suspension "about midweek". Details will then be appounded of the fore-NC first bought almost 26 per cent of Hampton last week, largely from the Australian Bond Corporation, paying 325p a share. The total cost, including 100,000 shares bought in the market, was about £4.8m.

At last night's closing price shadowed "dramatic changes" of 363p, 8p up on the day, the in the business.

DCM in Aurora sell-off The board of Dunbee- paying for the shares has not Combex-Marx International in been disclosed.

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The Netherlands has accepted an offer for the shares of the Aurora companies in Canada. Singapore and The Netherlands. The share purchase has the approval of the DCM receiver in London, who was appointed

But Mr N. J. Gardiner, finance director of Peter Pan Playthings. Aurora's United Kingdom licensee, said yesterday that the United States Aurora company, which DCM had been trying to sell when it rouble, still held the rights to the moulds and mols in London, who was appointed last month when the group announced that it could not meet its liabilities under guarantees of the overseas comparises' debra rights to the moulds and mols for the Aurora products.

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# Profits jump at J Fisher

By Our Financial Staff
Ship owners and insurance brokers James Fisher and Sons increased pretax profits by 47.5 per cent in 1979 on turnover up by 21 per cent.
Profits rose from £2.25m to £3.3m and turnover from £10.6m to £12.8m. The board are proposing a one-for-one scrip issue.

The final dividend is 2.86p making a total of 5p gross compared with 1.62p.
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scrip issue.

After tax of £124,000, compared with £64,000; the attributable profit is £3.2m against butable profit is £3.2m against 578.

The shares rose 7p yesterday £2.2m to give earnings per The si share of £24.92p against 18.04p. to 318p.

The final dividend is 2.86p

The shares rose 7p yesterday

### Wall Street

New York, March 17.-The New New York, March 17.—The New York Stock Exchange suffered its worst one-day fall since last October as investors gave President Carter's anti-inflation package a vote of no confidence. The Dow Jones industrial average dropped 23.04 points to 788.65, its lowest level since December, 1978.

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Yesterday's Wall Street and Canadian closing prices will appear tomorrow. Later publication is caused by the change to British Summer Time. This will continue until Eastern Daylight Time begins in the United States.



# Commodities

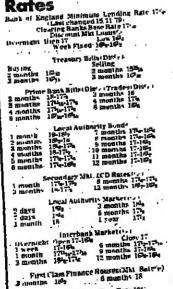
### Discount market

Credit conditions tightened markedly yesterday, and the Bank of England was required to give large-scale assistance before books could be ruled off at the end of the day. The authorities bought a moderate amount of Treasury bills and a small quantity of local authority bills both from houses and banks, and also lent a small sum overnight to four or five houses at 17 per cent MLR.

Secured loan rates, which had hovered at about 16% per cent for much of the session, eased slightly to 16% per cent for closing balances following the help.

The market was up against a moderate excess of Revenue transfers to the Exchequer (which infered a sizeable figure in respect of tobacco tax) over Government disbursements, a small net take-up of Treasury bills, and balances that had come across the weekend a small way below target. Note circulation fell by a small amount.

**Money Market** Rates



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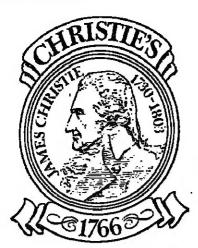
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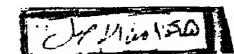
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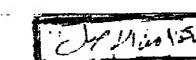
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, it has been said, is the tragedy that happens to other has also been said that laughter is often associated as also been said that laughter is often associated and the expression of anxiety. I wonder, then, how denfreude is involved in the new comedy series y Life, which begins this evening on BBC 1 (8.30) as of Ken Archer, made redundant after 25 years of the deserted by his wife for a much younger man, the deserted by his wife for a much younger man, th one offspring who is punk and another who is and in sum a potential suicide. Sounds like a pute, doesn't it? "Very much black comedy a citer, Jim Eldridge." Ken Archer discovers that life or predictable and that he can't opt out when difficult. So he has to find a way of surviving." aps it is good for us to laugh at the disasters which iting to strike. Or perhaps such laughter is a sign ce. It is worth remembering, though, that the BBC has lack of striking gold in unpromising strata and Son ". "I Didn't Know You Cared ", ne Summer Wine ". Unless it's just fools' gold.

t to laugh at but a great deal to admire about Rebecca, es to BBC 1 tonight (9.25). Hugh Whitemore's ion of Daphne Du Maurier's classic mystery story has of an elastic band drawn slowly out to breaking point to is gentle but relentless and the final snap is both and painful. Splendid performances from Jeremy Brett de Winter—the wealthy, civilized, charming widower idful secret—and from Joanna David as the plain, roban girl who becomes the second chatelaine of phan girl who becomes the second chatelaine of and is gradually made aware of a baleful influence hen the serial was shown on BBC 2 I watched not only the but also each repeat episode just in case I had thing. If that sounds like a recommendation, it is.

humour again with A Touché of Thurber (Radio 4, everyone laughs at James Thurber, but I'm an addict. ie original text of The Secret Life of Waiter Mitty.

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# Broadcasting Guide

Edited by David Sinclair TELEVISION

> 4.25 Jackanory: Paul Copley continues The Runaway.
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> 4.40 Lassie: New series of dramas featuring the dog that's been loved by children for generations.

5.05 Rentaghost: Episode 4. 5.35 Paddington: Animated hear

5.40 News with Peter Woods.
5.55 Nationwide: It's the night we've all been waiting for—the final of "The Most Glamorous Grandmother in Great Britain" contest. Judges are Carol Channog, Liza Goddard and Frankie Howerly

6.55 Droopy: Cartoon.
7.05 One Mere Time! The television version of Sing Something Simple. Makes the living room seem like the public bar of a Satur-

5.00 John Craven's Newscound.

5.40 News with Peter Woods.

Howerd.

6.40 am Open University: 6.40 Special Relativity: 7.05 Metals and the Electromagnetical Series; 7.20 Computing-Algorithms. down at 7.55.

9.35 For Schools, Colleges: 9.35 Out of the Past—Georgian England (r); 9.58 Maths in a Box (Plum (r); 9.53 Maths-in-a-Box (Figure Crazy); 10.16 Look and Read (The Boy from Space, 9); 10.38 Resource Units 11-13 (English) 11.00 Watch—Dimeaurs (r); 11.17 Television Club (r); 11.38 Shakespeare in Perspective (The Tempest); 12.05 pm General Studies (cs. Claudown 2, 13.20 (r). Closedown at 12.30. 12.45 News.

1.00 Pebble Mill at One: Nancy Kominsky continues her series Painting Made Easy, and there is more advice in Family Matters. 1.45 Trumpton: Papper series (r).
2.00 You and Me: The Surprise Friend (r).
2.14 For Schools, Colleges: 2.14
Encounter: Germany (r): 2.40
Horne Economics (r). Closedown

3.25 Dechrau Siarad: Learning Welsh.
3.55 Play School: The story is
Alvin Tresselt's It's Time Now!
4.20 Yogi Bear: Cartoon (r).

THAMES

8.00 Change of Direction: Jerry Rawlings. He was a flight lieu-tenant in the Ghangian air force. 7.05 am Open University: Coal and the 19th Century; 7.30 Frank Lloyd Wright, Closedown at 7.55. 11.00 Play School: Same as BBC 1 at 3.55 Clasedown at 11.25. at 3.55 Cinsedown at 11.25.
4.50 pm Open University: Maths—
Orthogonal Bases: 5.15 The Nature
of Digital Computing: 5.40 Mathematical Functions: 6.05 Reading
Development: 6.30 Spreading
Oceans: 6.55 Who's a Clever Boy?
Strictly for the birds, this one,
featuring a macaw, a parrot, a
magnic and of course, a budgle.
7.05 News with subtitles for the 7.05 News with subtitles for the hard of hearing. 7.20 Europeans: Eric Robinson compares education in Britain with the system in France and Den-

8.30 Writers and Places: Frederic Raphael (of Ghittering Prices) recalls, naturally enough, his days at Cambridge.

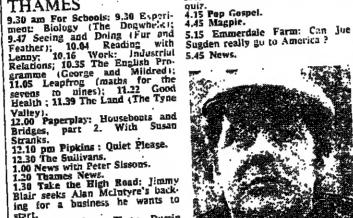
9.00 Not the Least of Not the Nine O'Clock News: Repeat of the sattre—I use file word rejuctantly—shows highlights as a constant state. It is new series, it curtain-raiser to a new series. It never caught on with me. I think for once I prefer the Nine O'Clock News. Witness 9.25 Yesterday's

mark. All part of the great Euro-

then he was head of state, now he's been kicked out of both jobs. Some

8.30 Writers and Places: Frederic

4.15 Pop Gospel. 4.45 Magpie. 5.15 Emmerdale Farm: Can Jue



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Show, 11.45 pm Glose. day night (r).

7.35 Life on Earth: The First Forests. David Attenborough explains how primitive animals came to terms with life on land and how flowers came into the picture. This really is a splendid programme.

8.30 Time of My Life: New comedy series about a man who loses his series about a man who loses his jub and his wife. . . that's funny? (see Personal Choice).

9.00 News with Peter Woods.

Regions

9.25 Rebecca: Excellent dramatiza-tion of Duphne Du Maurier's story tree Personal Choice). 10.20 Hollywood's Wild Angel: Omnibus (timed portrait of Roger Corman, the man responsible for all these movies allegedly based on

all those movies allegedly based on the works of Edgar Allan Poe-and

a lot more besides. It was Cor-man, after all, who discovered Jack Nitholson, Martin Scor-ese and Francis Ford Coppola, Never-theless, E.A.P. must be turning in

his grave.

11.10 Platform One: As if he didn't have enough platforms, Len Murray, of the TUC, gets another one.

America: The very popular series goes transatlantic now, and the first one has all the ingredients of success. It tells of the love affair between the slightly nutry newspaper tycoon William Randolph Hearst and the obscure chorus girl Marion Davies, whom he wanted to make into a Hollywood star. Ben Lyon is, among those who reminisce.

10.15 Lonnie Donegan and Friends: The one-time king of skirfle, later novelty recurds (Does

Friends: The one-time king of skif-fle. later novelty records (Does Your Chewing Gum Love its Fla-your on the Bedpost Overnight?) reappears in concert at Ipswich. 10.45 Newsnight. 11.30 The Old Grey Whistle Test: A far cry from Lonnic Donegan-the Photos and Original Mirrors. Well, perhaps not all that far.

3.45 Three Little Words: Word, 6.00 Thames News with Andrew Gardner, 6.25 Help I with Joan Shenton. 6.35 Crossroads: Miranda Pollard and Jill Harvey have something to say to each other about Adam

7.00 Charlie's Angels: What more can I say? 8.00 Armchair Thriller: Episode 3 of High Tide. Interesting to com-pare this with the work of the old master Francis Durbridge, now reaching its climax on BBC 1 on Fridays. 8.30 Leave It to Charlie: Charlie

Fisher gets his chance of sturdom when a film crew arrives at Lan-castrian Insurance to make an advertisement.
9.00 Hollywood: Trick of the Light. How the early cameramen achieved their astonishing effects.

10.00 News.
10.30 The Burglars: Omar Sharif,
Lean-Paul Belmondo and Dyan
Cannon (for the second night running) in a glossy 1970 thriller
about a jewel gang and the policeman who intends to outwit them
and grab the swag for himself. It's and grap the swag to an ann Rifffi.

12.25 am Close: Leslie Crowther reads Wilfrid Owen's poem Anthem for Doomed Youth.

### RADIO

6.00 am News Briefing. 6.10 Farming Today.

10.00 News. 10.05 In Britain Now.

10.30 Daily Service.

11.35 Local Edition.

8.35 Yesterday in Parliament.

10.45 Once Upon an Ice Age (2).

11.05 Play: Total Security.

12.02 pm You and Yours.

12.20 Down Your Way.

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9.00 News. 9.05 Tuesday Call.

11.00 News.

12.00 News.

3.00 News.

5.00 PM.

12.55 Weather. 1.00 The World at One.

1.40 The Archers. 2.00 News.

4.10 Bookshelf.

5.55 Weather.

2.02 Woman's Hour.

3.02 Listen with Mother. 3.15 Women in Love (3)†

4.45 Story: Run for the Money.

6.00 News. 6.30 A Touché of Thurber.†

7.00 News.
7.05 The Archers.
7.20 The Restless Years (9).
8.05 In Touch.
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"What's yours?" Olivia asked Viola (9).

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Julia and Nicholas—a 30n (MS2
Arthur), a brother for Joss.

GARLAND.—On March 14, at
home, to Sarth (nee Hough),
and David, a brother for Will.

Laura and Killy.

TUESDAY MARCH 18 1980

DEATHS

HELLON.—On March 15th, after a short ilmess. Namey Hollog. C.H.E., aged 69. of Rys. Labt Sussex. Funcial service Friday. Hist March, at 12 noon, at Last house Cranstorium. No flowers by request, donations. If desired, to cancer research. 15th. Leon Henig,—On March 15th. Leon Henig, physician, of Westland, Pulter Street Hill. Pinner, beloved nusband of Josephine, and the last Sir Mark. Funcial the last Sir Mark. Funcial the last Sir Mark. Funcial Lanc. Wilesson at 19th. No flowers and some desired some flowers and the last Sir Mark. 19th. No flowers and the flowers donations in imperial Cancer Research.

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a son I Alexander Kristian
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MORRIESON ATWATER.—On MonMAY, 17th March, at Wesiminster
Hospital. to Marina and John—
a son.

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heloved husband, son and caughter last. A private funeral has been agranged on March 15th Cocil Mary, of the Uld School House, Blakeney, dear state of Chico Berdan and Audrey Hossyns-Abrahall, adoptive mother of Chico Gordan and working parmer of Pauline Huntor Blar (Clarke). Faneral private.

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THOMAS.—On March 14th at St Mattida Hospital, Hong Kong, to Julic Ince Wells: Jind Stove—3 to Julic Ince Wells: Jind Stove—3 son (Heary).

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Katharine Torrenza (nec Paterson);

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ARGLES.—On March 13th. Gerard
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ford at 3 p.m.
BEES.—On March 14th, seacefully
at Exmouth Hospital. Sicanor
Norah Jane of Woodbury Saltertos. Funeral service on Tuesday.
March 25th, at 250 c.m. at Holy
Trinity Benges. followed by
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DYER.—On March 16th, 1980, peacefully at harman, Surrey, Harold Francis, agrid 7.5 years, the beloved husband of Winited and Father of Shirley. Cramation at The Park Crematorium, Aldershol, on Friday, March 21st at 1.5 ym, Flowers may be sent to the control of the Phylis Tuckwolf Memorial Hossics, Farman, Foster,—On 17th March 1980 at home un Nottingham, Martha Lily Gledys (formerly of Bolton Cardens, S.W.S., dearly loved wife of Alfred Wallon, Funcral Friday, 21st March at 12 noon at Bramoole, Note, Family flowers Bramole, Note, Family flowers only.

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T.D. will be held at St. Michael and All Angels Church.
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March 27th. at 12 noon.
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17th.

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15 But the Strand's no part of it (9).

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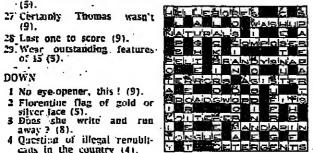
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19 Thunderous applause (4).
20 Their appearance is original (10).
22 Tributes won by the practical Gus from the gallery (8).
23 Flute part. Who may ——?

Sad (6).
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